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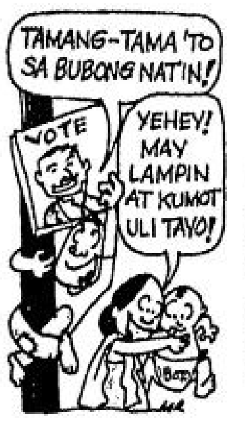
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# How Mindanao voted

JOAN BONDOC

**PLEASED AS PUNCH**
President Macapagal opens the Alay sa Kawal Cup with a ceremonial tee off on Saturday at the Riviera Golf and Country Club in Silang, Cavite, cheered on by former Finance Secretary Edgardo Espiritu, former President Fidel Ramos, Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes and AFP Chief of Staff Gen. Diomedio Villanueva.

## Christians for PnM; Muslims for PPC

BY ALLAN A. NAWAL
*PDI Mindanao Bureau*

**THE SENATORIAL candidates of Joseph Estrada's Puwersa ng Masa performed well in Mindanao, but only in areas dominated by Christians, according to Manuel Orig, co-chair of the National Citizens' Movement for Free Elections in Davao City.**

Orig said PnM candidates fared poorly in the Moro provinces such as Maguindanao, where, in the municipality of Pagalungan, partial unofficial returns from at least 10 precincts showed that they, except for Santanina Rasul and Ombra Tamano, got zero votes each.

Even PnM guest candidate Noli de Castro, who has consistently taken the lead in the senatorial race, got zero.

"We voted for (Rasul and Tamano) because they are Muslims," said Kadiguia Guialal, 38.

Babai Sumalinang Macadato, 54, was very enthusiastic when she went out to vote on May 14 in Barangay Poblacion in Pagalungan.

"I did not even have a list of the names of those I was going to vote for. I just scribbled the names of those who I thought could finally bring peace to our lives," she said.

In Macadato's ballot, not a single PnM candidate was included.

She said she viewed the PnM candidates as the deliverer of unrest to her village, which, like other barangays in Pagalungan, is densely populated by Muslims.

"They are the associates of Erap, so they also think that the Muslims are their enemies," she said.

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| NAMFREL | | | COMELEC | |
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| as of 11:12 p.m., May 19 | | | 3:15 p.m. | |
| No. of precincts: 119,105 (59.25%) | | | Rank | |
| 1 | DE CASTRO | 9,659,596 | 1 | 904,458 |
| 2 | FLAVIER | 7,120,502 | 3 | 602,158 |
| 3 | OSMEÑA | 6,919,287 | 11 | 555,231 |
| 4 | ARROYO | 6,781,598 | 2 | 616,067 |
| 5 | MAGSAYSAY | 6,741,615 | 5 | 599,360 |
| 6 | DRILON | 6,733,567 | 6 | 595,597 |
| 7 | VILLAR | 6,608,042 | 4 | 600,766 |
| 8 | PANGILINAN | 6,572,519 | 9 | 573,329 |
| 9 | ANGARA | 6,483,319 | 8 | 575,271 |
| 10 | LACSON | 6,279,367 | 12 | 546,286 |
| 11 | EJERCITO | 6,236,794 | 7 | 580,890 |
| 12 | HONASAN | 6,167,152 | 10 | 561,887 |
| 13 | RECTO | 6,136,182 | 13 | 528,447 |
| 14 | SANTIAGO | 5,738,930 | 15 | 487,201 |
| 15 | ENRILE | 5,726,096 | 14 | 496,123 |
| 16 | PUNO | 5,282,862 | 16 | 433,802 |
| 17 | TAÑADA | 4,937,223 | 17 | 398,980 |
| 18 | MERCADO | 4,513,057 | 18 | 365,516 |
| 19 | PAGDANGANAN | 4,283,906 | 19 | 347,229 |
| 20 | MONSOD | 4,090,534 | 20 | 324,230 |
| 21 | HERRERA | 4,090,534 | 21 | 308,086 |
| 22 | RASUL | 3,081,387 | 24 | 214,079 |
| 23 | MADRIGAL | 3,044,942 | 23 | 236,440 |
| 24 | CHATO | 2,918,659 | 22 | 287,653 |
| 25 | YASAY | 2,827,488 | 25 | 208,558 |
| 26 | CANOY | 2,131,121 | 27 | 130,912 |
| 27 | TAMANO | 2,064,760 | 26 | 135,607 |
| 28 | ADAZA | 476,183 | 28 | 45,537 |
| 29 | MORATO | 412,455 | 30 | 36,668 |
| 30 | NAVARRO | 393,982 | 29 | 41,595 |

## 8 PPC bets surge ahead in Comelec tally

BY ROCKY NAZARENO,
CYNTHIA BALANA
AND JULIET JAVELLANA

AFTER a lackluster start, eight administration senatorial candidates surged forward yesterday and trounced opposition rivals who had been leading the day before in the Commission on Elections national tally.

Piggybacking on a 13-0 victory in Batanes and a 9-3-1 advantage in Marikina, People Power Coalition candidates Joker Arroyo, Juan Flavier, Manuel Villar, Ramon Magsaysay Jr. Franklin Drilon bolted into the second to sixth places.

They displaced five Puwersa ng Masa bets who had occupied those slots in Friday's canvass—Panfilo Lacson, Edgardo Angara, Luisa Ejercito, Gregorio Honasan and Juan Ponce Enrile.

Independent candidate and broadcaster Noli de Castro remained at the helm with 904,458 votes after the national board of canvassers yesterday tabulated votes from 10 provinces.

Arroyo, his closest rival, lagged behind by more than 288,000 votes.

The PPC's Francis Pangilinan, Sergio Osmeña III and Ralph Recto also shimmied into the Magic 13. *(For rankings and figures, see Comelec chart.)*

Former first lady Ejercito, the highest ranked among the Puwersa ng Masa candidates, was in seventh place with 580,890 votes, less than 15,000 votes away from sixth placer Drilon.

Other opposition candidates who stayed on the Top 13 chart were Angara, Honasan and Lacson.

Enrile and Miriam Defensor-Santiago, in the magic circle on Friday, dropped to No. 14 and No. 15, still close on the heels of Recto in 13th place.

The voters from Batanes and Marikina gave the PPC its final 8-4-1 lead at the end of the day, since the trend was 7-5-1 in most of the other provinces whose votes were canvassed. *(See provincial tallies on Page A8.)*

When the board of canvassers called it a day at 3:15 p.m. yesterday, they had tabulated a total of 1,792,254 votes, representing only 4.8 percent of the nation's 36,605,346 registered voters, or 14 out of 102 certificates of candidacy (COCs).

The other COCs canvassed yesterday came from Aklan, Zambales, Camiguin, Marinduque, Biliran, Ilocos Sur, Catanduanes and Camarines Sur.

On Friday, the board canvassed absentee votes and COCs from Siquijor, Aurora and Quirino.

The Comelec resumes its tally tomorrow.

As the quick count of the National Citizens' Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel) passed the halfway mark yesterday, the unofficial tally as of 11 a.m. showed the PPC solidifying its 8-4-1 lead.

Recto, No. 13, pulled further away from Enrile, who has been vying for that spot. *(See Namfrel chart on this page.)*

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## Gloria impresses Newsweek editor

BY MA. CERES P. DOYO

SINCERE, smart, quick.

This was how President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo came across to Elizabeth Graham-Weymouth, an accomplished American journalist and contributing editor of Newsweek magazine and the Washington Post.

"I was very impressed," said Weymouth, who was in town last week to interview Ms Macapagal and observe the elections. "She was great, poised, sure of herself."

Weymouth is the eldest daughter of publishing legend Katharine Graham, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and chair of the executive committee of The Washington Post Company.

During her brief visit here, Weymouth also interviewed Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes, former President Fidel Ramos and former first lady Luisa "Loi" Ejercito.

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DENNIS SABANGAN

DAUGHTER of journalism legend, Katherine M. Graham, Newsweek editor Elizabeth Graham-Weymouth was in town last week to observe the election. She's shown with INQUIRER chair Marixi R. Prieto.

## PPC takes evidence to Comelec

BY ARMAND N. NOCUM
AND CYNTHIA A. BORGUETA
*PDI Visayas Bureau*

THE PEOPLE Power Coalition yesterday brought to the Commission on Elections its purported evidence on electoral fraud and challenged the opposition Puwersa ng Masa to do the same.

PPC spokesperson Conrado Limcaoco told the INQUIRER that unlike the PnM, which also claimed to have obtained proof of alleged election fraud, his camp had solid evidence.

"The difference between our evidence (and the PnM's) is that we can go straight to the Comelec. Our evidence is authenticated. We are confident that the PPC evidence will

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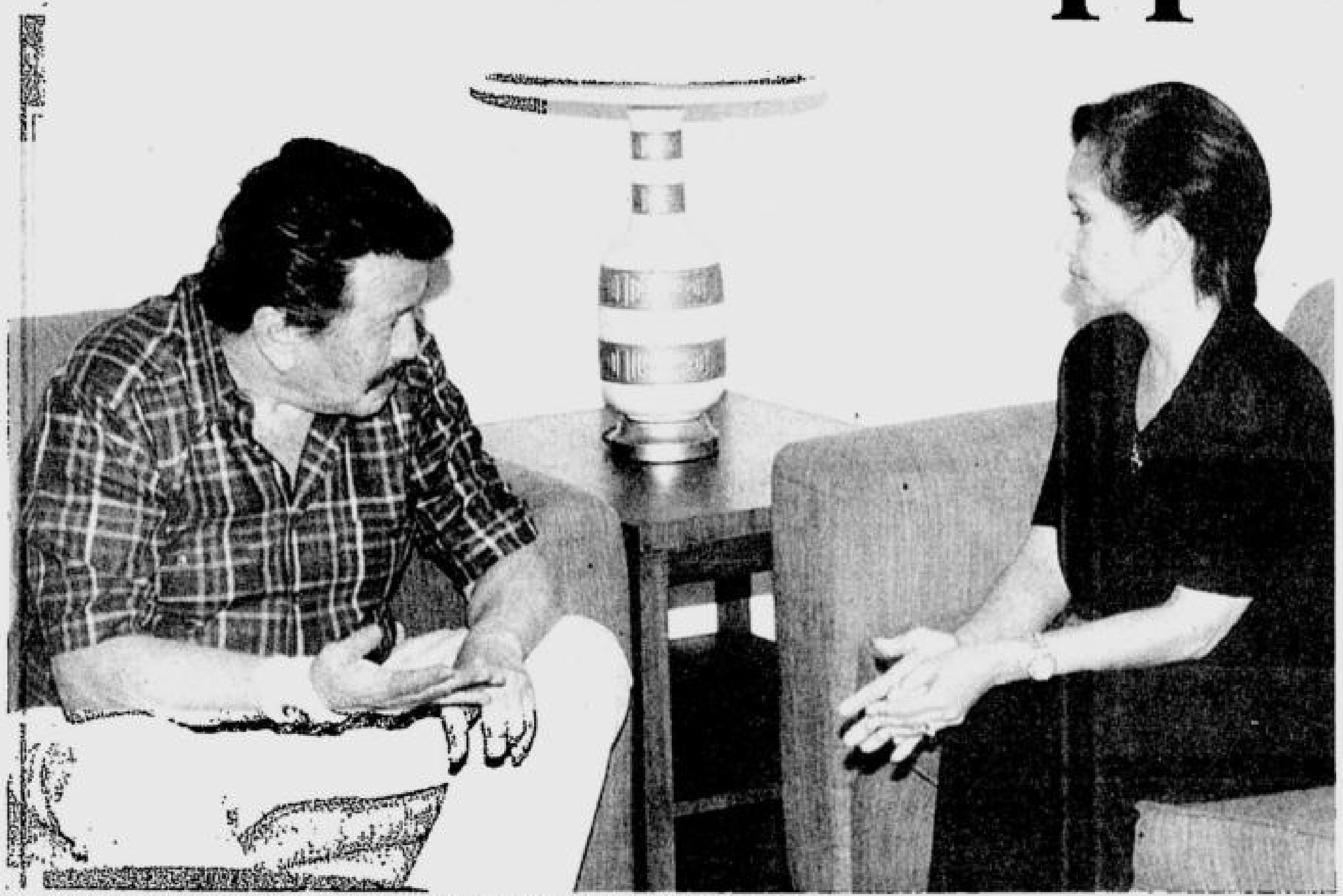
### GOING EASY ON ERAP

# Gloria won't oppose house arrest


FACE TO FACE: President Macapagal visits Estrada at the Veterans hospital.

MALACAÑANG PHOTO

By Juliet L. Javellana

**PRESIDENT Macapagal-Arroyo appears to have dropped her opposition to having her ousted predecessor, Joseph Estrada, placed under house arrest instead of detention at a Sta. Rosa, Laguna police camp.**

This after the President paid a surprise 25-minute visit, her second in two weeks, to Estrada yesterday at his Veterans Memorial Medical Center suite in Quezon City.

During the visit, Estrada congratulated the President on the "apparent majority victory" of the People Power Coalition and Ms Macapagal in turn congratulated him for the "seeming victory" of his wife, Loi.

Estrada, according to presidential spokesperson Rigoberto Tiglao, "several times addressed Ms Macapagal as Mrs. President."

Estrada, Tiglao said, also "offered to help" the Macapagal administration in its pro-poor programs.

Tiglao said the deposed president asked Ms Macapagal to use her "persuasive powers" in having him placed under house arrest instead of detention at Fort Sto. Domingo in Sta. Rosa.

### Erap's request

Estrada and his son, outgoing San Juan mayor Jinggoy Estrada, who is facing charges with his father and is detained along with him, were airlifted to the hospital from Laguna just before last Monday's elections allegedly due to health reasons.

"Mr. Estrada asked if it was possible to be placed under house arrest at his own home and the President said it was not up to her but the Sandiganbayan," Tiglao said

He said Estrada told the President his lawyers were studying previous cases of house arrest and the President remarked that since they have a "basis" for a petition, they should push for it in the Sandiganbayan.

Tiglao said, "For her (Ms Macapagal), her personal stand is she has no objection to house arrest," but it would be up to the Sandiganbayan, which will be hearing the plunder and graft cases against Estrada.

During her first visit to Estrada in Sta. Rosa on May 3, Ms Macapagal turned down outright his request to be placed under house arrest.

Asked what brought about the change in Ms Macapagal's position, Tiglao said, "Maybe she thinks it's not necessary to keep him in Fort Sto. Domingo since he was having bouts of depression (there)," Tiglao said.

Tiglao said Jinggoy Estrada will be given the same privileges accorded his father.

Philippine National Police Deputy Director Edgardo Aglipay and PNP Director for Police Community Relations Thompson Lantion accompanied Ms Macapagal on the visit but they were not privy to her conversation with Estrada.

Ms Macapagal and Estrada sat together in Estrada's suite and talked alone for about 25 minutes.

Tiglao said the two did not discuss the charges and counter-charges their parties have been hurling at each other over the conduct of the elections.

Then came the offer of support. "Mr. Estrada mentioned his pro-poor projects in Mindanao and the President said she has been pursuing these," he said.

"(He gave a) general expression of support to help the President," Tiglao said, "which elated Ms Macapagal."

"She was happy. It was very important that Mr. Estrada expressed some form of support for this government," Tiglao said.

### Surprise visit

Tiglao said the President learned Friday night that Estrada was having "bouts of depression" because he did not want to return to Sta. Rosa.

"So she decided this morning to visit him," Tiglao said.

Before her visit to Estrada, members of media were asked to pull out of the presidential convoy heading for the hospital.

The President reportedly gave explicit instructions not to allow media coverage of her second meeting with Estrada.

Lawyers for Estrada, meantime, asked the Sandiganbayan yesterday to allow him to remain at the veterans hospital where he is more accessible to them.

Rene Saguisag, one of the lawyers, said they hope the "status quo would be maintained without prejudice to our plea for house arrest" for "medical reasons as well as professional ones."

"We would like to be able to communicate more conveniently with the accused, who can be moved to and from this honorable court when needed with less hassle," he said in a six-page manifestation he filed before the Sandiganbayan which is also located in Quezon City.

"In the time the Estradas were in Laguna, undersigned was not able to visit them and communication by telephone was discouraged, if not prohibited," Saguisag explained. *With Donna S. Cueto*

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# Dureza now wants to settle game with Jimpol on land

DAVAO CITY—Jesus Dureza, presidential assistant for regional concerns in Southern Mindanao, yesterday challenged Jimmy Policarpio of the Puwersa ng Masa (PnM) to shift their cat-and-mouse game from the skies on Mindanao to the golf course.

"At least it would be difficult for anybody to do 'dagdag-bawas' in the golf course," Dureza said in jest before taking off from the Davao International Airport for Cagayan de Oro City en route to Marawi City.

Dureza even brought with him a golf set when he boarded a military Nomad plane for Cagayan de Oro.

Dureza was supposed to meet with candidates from various Lanao del Sur towns to diffuse brewing tension in the area following yesterday's blast near the provincial capitol where a centralized canvassing of election returns is being done.

But Dureza was forced to cancel the trip and remained in Cagayan de Oro due to bad weather.

Dureza and retired Gen. Lisandro Abadia, former chief of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, had engaged Policarpio in a helicopter chase across the skies of Lanao del Sur, Lanao del Norte and Cagayan de Oro City on Wednesday.

Policarpio was reportedly buying off some local officials in an attempt to change the results of the senatorial elections where the PPC was leading. He denied the allegation, saying he had been in Mindanao to visit sick relatives.

Dureza and Abadia, who were accused by the Puwersa of engaging in a dagdag-bawas (vote shaving) scheme in favor of the PPC senatorial candidates, said they were monitoring Policarpio's movements following reports of electoral fraud.

Policarpio was on a red and blue six-seater Ecuriel helicopter while Dureza and Abadia chased him in a yellow BO105 helicopter.

Dureza and Abadia caught Policarpio's chopper in Iligan City. But none of them disembarked from the chopper until they took off again after a few minutes.

Policarpio's chopper proceeded to Tubod, Lanao del Norte, but Dureza and Abadia decided not to follow him anymore.

Reports said Policarpio's chopper were loaded with cash and that Dureza and Abadia's group was prepared to hold Policarpio once they see him unloading cash.

Dureza said he had already discovered the identities of the local officials who received money from Policarpio but declined to name them. Dureza admitted that he has not seen Policarpio with the money in his hand.

"I hope that what happened between me and Policarpio was just an example that if both sides are vigilant, nothing is going to happen or would tamper with the votes," he said.

Dureza said he stopped chasing Policarpio as of Friday because there were other more important things that he had to do, like ensuring an orderly and peaceful canvassing of votes and diffusing brewing tension among candidates in election hotspot areas of the island.

But Dureza has alerted all stations of the Air Transport Office (ATO) to check on choppers and planes, carrying operatives from both the Puwersa ng Masa and the PPC.

He said the ATO was mandated to report to him any suspicious flights so they can take proper action. *Jowel F. Canuday, PDI Mindanao Bureau*

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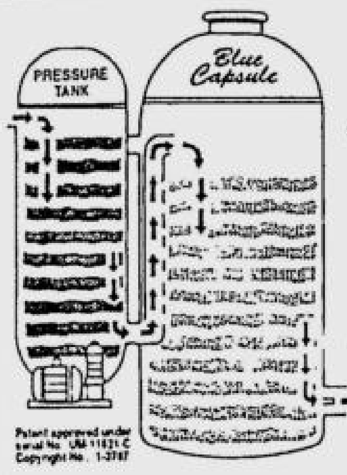

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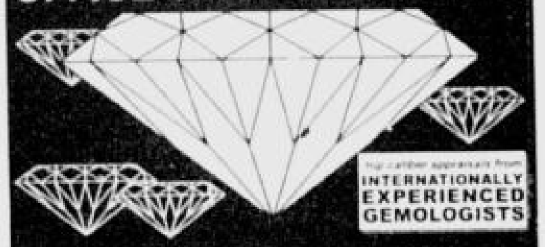

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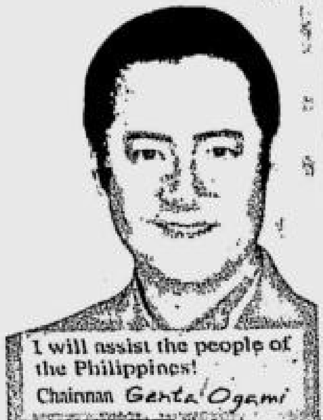

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# Punzalan had no blood debts, colleagues say

BY NORMAN BORDADORA

CROSSING party lines, several of slain Quezon Rep. Marcial Punzalan's colleagues in the House eulogized the ill-fated solon by saying he had no blood debts to pay—whether to the New People's Army or to drug traffickers.

Punzalan was shot several times in the head at pointblank range by an unidentified gunman after a campaign rally in Tiaong, Quezon, last week.

Earlier, he had been accused by an alleged former employee and a priest of coddling drug traffickers in the Southern Tagalog region, a charge that Punzalan vehemently denied and of which he was subsequently cleared by the National Bureau of Investigation.

Former Negros Occidental Rep. Jerome Paras, Punzalan's colleague in the ninth and tenth Congresses and a Lakas-NUCD stalwart, said he had always known the slain lawmaker to be a straight man.

"It's an insult to say he had blood debts to pay," Paras said during the necrological rites held for Punzalan at the Sanctuario de San Antonio in Forbes Park, Makati, Friday night.

"During his stint in Congress, I never knew him to be involved in any shenanigans. His dealings were always above-board," Paras said.

Rizal politician Jun Aniag of the Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino said his party mate Punzalan did not have to enter politics in order to make it in life—he was making so much more working for the Manila Electric Co. (Meralco).

In booming Tagalog, Aniag said Punzalan paid with his life his need to serve his constituents in Quezon province.

"I told him, 'Jun, your life was already good when you were working for Meralco. Why did you have to enter politics?'" said Aniag, who was on the same LDP congressional slate with Punzalan in 1992 when the latter entered politics.

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By Norman Bordadora

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The first woman editor of the Collegian was not invited to the paper's homecoming cum fundraiser because of her no-vote on the opening of the Jose Velarde evidence during former President Joseph Estrada's impeachment trial.

Alumni with much lower ranks in the Collegian staff, such as Rep. Joker Arroyo, a former features writer, and former Finance Secretary Edgardo Espiritu, who was once a sportswriter, were feted with one-time associate editor Franklin Drilon and other former editors, who figured prominently in the prosecution of the former President.

Duke Bajenting, a business administration student and this school year's editor in chief of the Collegian, said the paper would not accept any form of assistance—financial or otherwise—from Santiago since it would not reflect well on the Collegian as an institution.

"We will not accept any donation from Senator Santiago. It will not look good on the incoming student paper administration and on the Philippine Collegian in particular," Bajenting told the INQUIRER.

Bajenting was acting for delicadeza's sake since the Collegian organizing committee earlier decided to bar Santiago from the alumni homecomng of the student paper she used to edit during her college days.

"I've been thinking and we would not accept the money from Santiago," he said.

The current staff members of the Collegian, the UP Alumni Association and the Philippine Daily Inquirer hosted the homecoming dinner and fundraiser on Friday night at the Bahay ng Alumni at the UP Diliman campus.

The Collegian is in danger of ceasing operations after it incurred a budget deficit of almost P500,000 over the past few years. Rising cost of newsprint and production costs were the culprit, said the staff.

With the student fee collected from students every enrollment time pegged at P40 since the early 1990's, the incoming editorial board faces the possibility of suddenly turning to advertisers to raise the needed revenue for the newspaper operations.

The students last year rejected the proposed P30 increase in the student fee. Part of the student fee is used for the weekly publication of the State University's student paper.

Bajenting told the INQUIRER that the pledges for the Collegian has reached more than P180,000. Espiritu and Interior and Local Government Secretary Joey Lina, two of the few national luminaries who attended the homecoming dinner, were among those who pledged fresh funds.

The Collegian honorees included Arroyo (features writer, 1951-1952), Espiritu (sportswriter, 1956-1957), Lina (managing editor, 1977-1978), Senator Franklin Drilon (associate editor, 1968-1969), Agusan Rep. Roan Libarios (editor in chief, 1981-1982).

Lawyers Edcel Lagman (managing editor, 1964-1965), Alexander Poblador (editor in chief, 1977-1978), Simeon Marcelo (news editor, 1976-1977), Marichu Lambino (managing editor, 1982-1983), and Jehri Asis (features editor, 1993-1994) and journalist Sheila Coronel (features editor, 1978-1979).

The private counsels were part of the prosecution team that presented the evidence against Estrada while Coronel and the Philippine Center for Investigative Journalism chronicled Estrada's excesses through his undeclared millions in assets.

Marcelo was the direct examiner of chief whistle blower Ilocos Sur Gov. Luis "Chavit" Singson while Poblador was the person who exacted the damning testimony of PCIBank executive Clarissa Ocampo.

Asis, on the other hand, was a researcher on the team of private prosecutors.

# Agri chief bans chicken imports from HK, China

AGRICULTURE officials yesterday banned imports of chickens and other birds from Hong Kong and China after reports of another outbreak of avian flu.

Agriculture Secretary Leonardo Q. Montemayor gave assurances that the current supply of chicken in the country is not affected.

He ordered quarantine officials to keep a stricter watch on all chicken imports, citing public health and the need to ensure that the local poultry industry is not affected by the outbreak.

The ban affects domestic and wild birds or their meat, day-old chicks, hatching eggs and bird products for use in animal feed or industrial use.

The government banned chicken imports from Hong Kong four years ago at the height of an avian flu outbreak. The restrictions were lifted a year later.

The Hong Kong government plans to eradicate the flu outbreak by slaughtering 1.2 million birds at markets and farms. *AP*

# Morato quits race, says he was robbed

By Dana Pazzibugan

LOSING independent senatorial candidate Manuel Morato yesterday declared that he is withdrawing from the race, complaining that the elections had assumed a form of numbers-based "gambling."

The former chair of the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office claimed that the administration and the opposition's insistence on a 13-0 or a 0-13 vote, respectively, had sidelined independent candidates like him.

"The elections had unwittingly assumed a form of gambling like 'jueteng,' lotto, masiao, sabong, 'last two', etc, which are deeply ingrained in the minds of our people," Morato said in a two-page letter to Commission on Elections chair Alfredo Benipayo yesterday.

"Since my votes as an independent candidate are being shaved off . . . and credited to the candidates of the two contending political parties according to confirmed reports I have received, I do not wish to go on with it.

"I withdraw from the race that, to my estimation, never was," he went on.

As of the latest Namfrel unofficial quick count, Morato is at 29th place.

Morato went on to complain against the distribution of "sample ballots" and the proliferation of campaign posters, which he said violated the voters' right to "free choice."

While he complained against supposed cheating in the elections, Morato said he did not blame the Comelec.

"I sympathize with you. You are not to blame for what had happened. You are a victim of some unscrupulous politicians who have perfected the art of cheating in every election," he wrote Benipayo.

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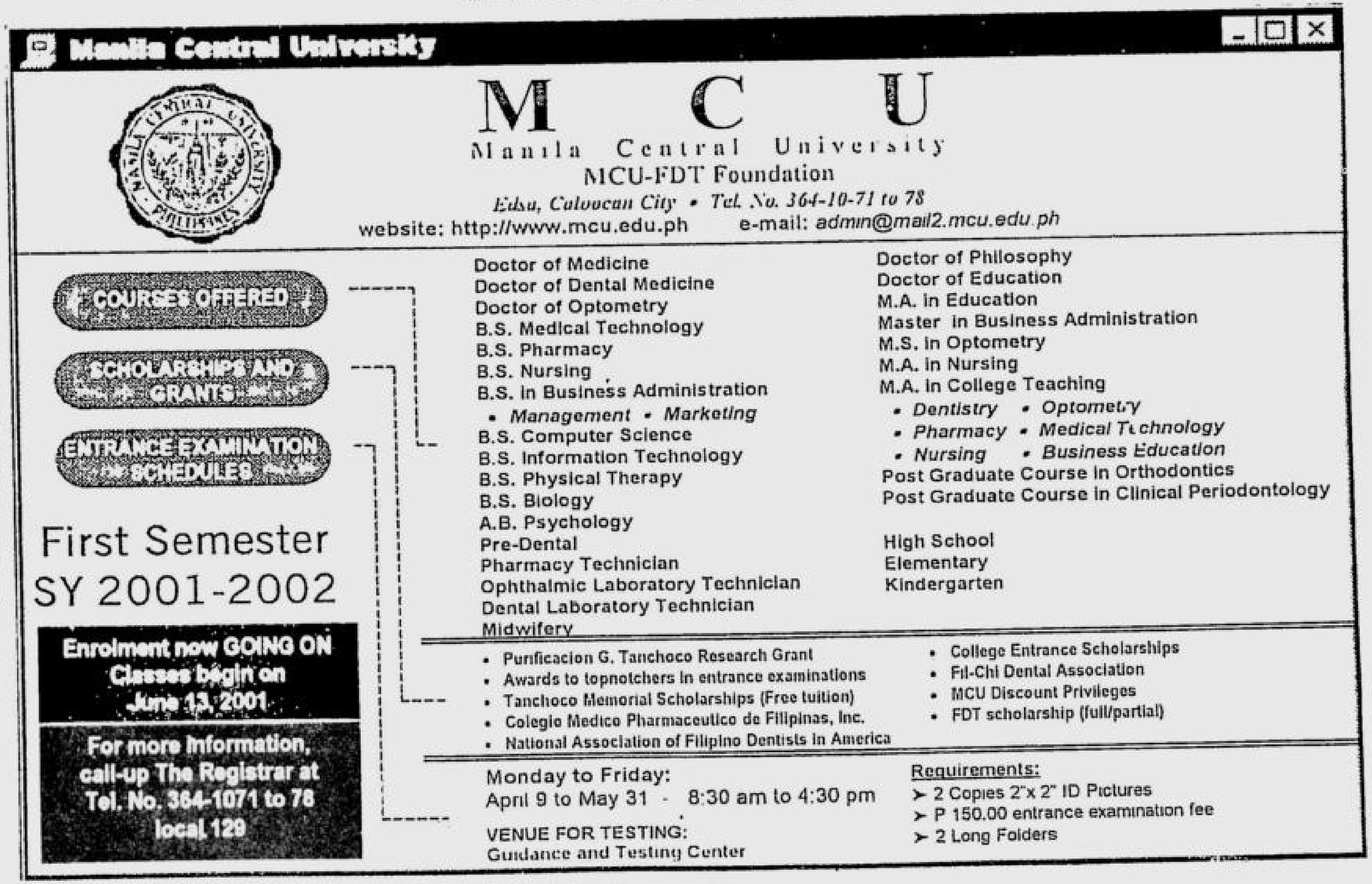

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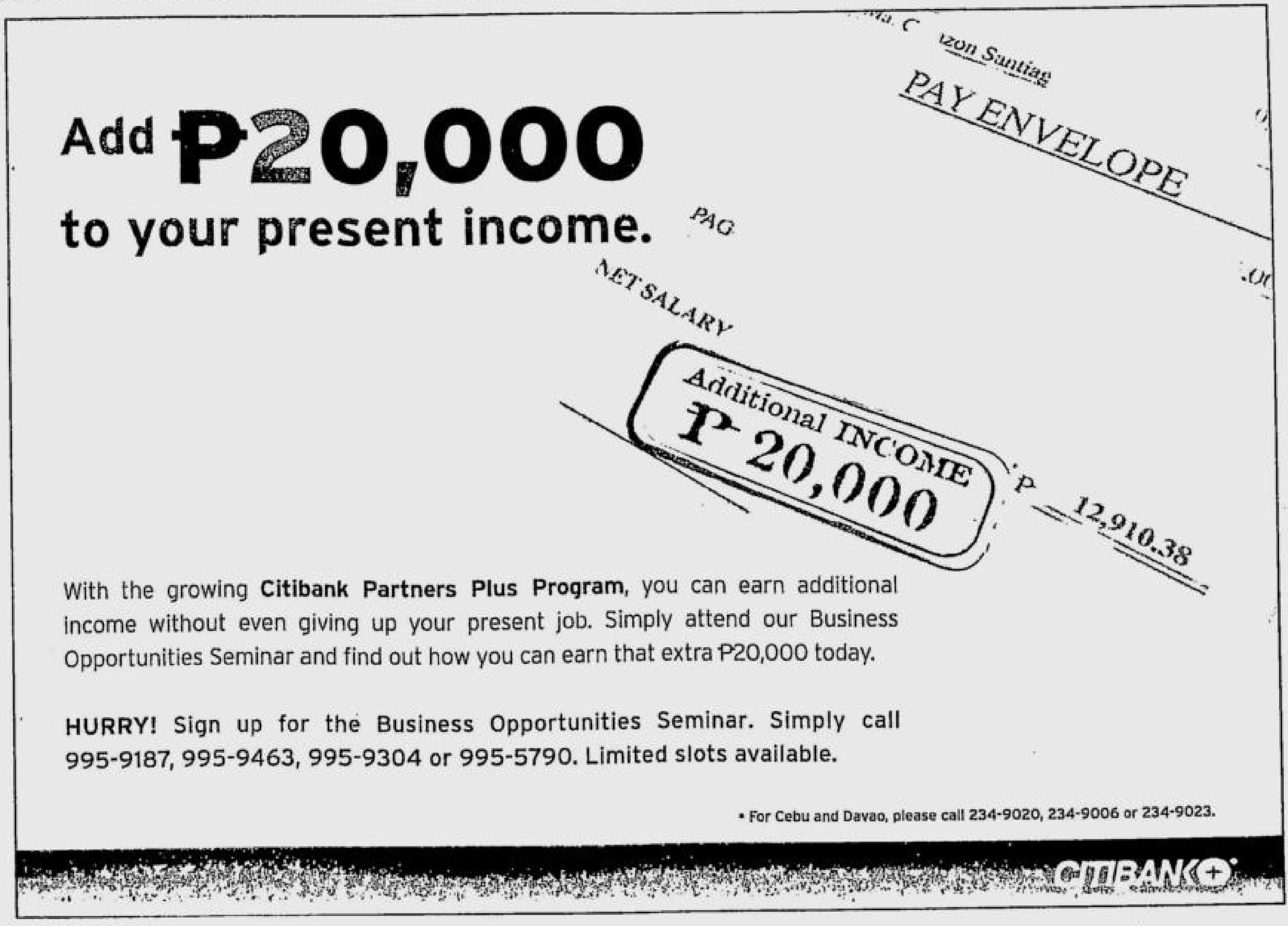

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## Against the odds

**EDITORIAL**

IN THE WAKE of widespread criticism that the Commission on Elections bungled the elections, there has also been some caviling that the National Movement for Free Elections, the Comelec-accredited electoral watchdog, did not take to its duty as enthusiastically as it had in previous elections. Namfrel volunteers were woefully lacking in number in several precincts; in some instances, there were practically none. Moreover, the Namfrel quick count is a ghost of its old self, plodding like a snail rather than chugging like a well-oiled machine.

All this buttresses speculations that the watchdog is grossly undermanned and that the volunteers, already suffering from fatigue like the public school teachers, could not transmit the tallies as quickly as possible to the quick-count computer center. In a freak accident that should indicate things aren't exactly ship-shape, several volunteers collapsed due to food poisoning after eating tuna sandwiches that had been served to them.

So what happened to Namfrel? Even the volunteers who suffered food poisoning are aghast that Namfrel, backed by the influential business and management sector, couldn't even prepare safe food for its people. If people are now telling the Comelec that this is no way to run an election, its critics are telling Namfrel this is no way to monitor an election.

But even Namfrel will admit that 2001 has not been its best election year. First, it had to campaign and lobby hard for the Comelec to fully computerize the elections—to no avail. The computerization would not only have made the voting system more efficient and honest, it would have also made Namfrel's monitoring work less unwieldy.

As if that wasn't enough, Namfrel had to battle for its own life. In a freakish twist of fate, it found its status as accredited electoral watchdog in danger of being dumped. This was when Commissioner Luzviminda Tancangco charged that Namfrel had been biased and had manipulated the results of previous elections, an old charge she made based on a study she conducted but which had been discredited by experts.

Incidentally, it was Tancangco who fiercely opposed the automation of the electoral process and even supported the application of the National Press Club, which had no experience in election monitoring, for accreditation and to conduct its own quick count, as against Namfrel's application.

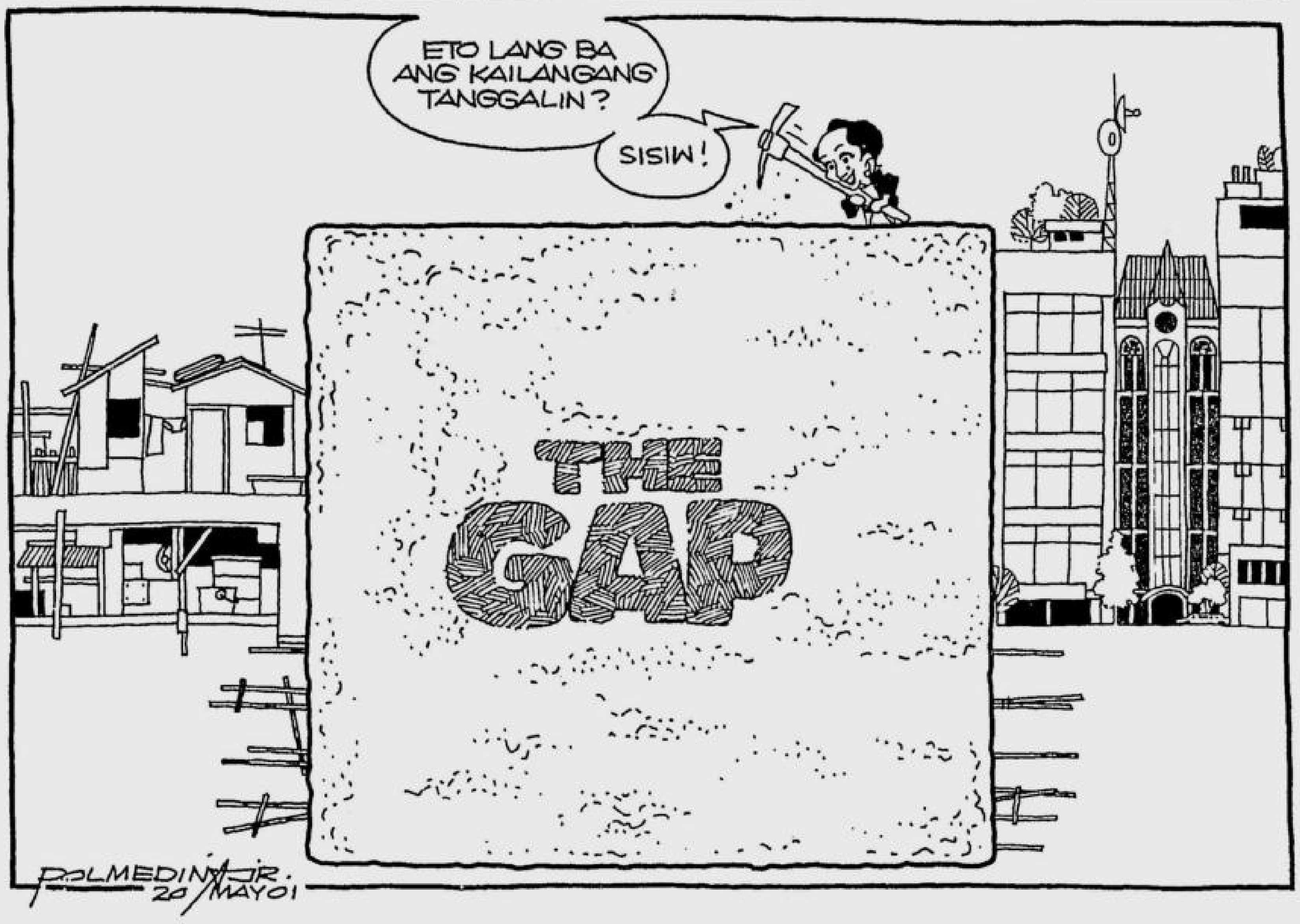
The people are now suffering the wages of Tancangco's machinations. The failure to computerize the elections has resulted in the painfully slow tallying and canvassing, the labyrinthine procedures of which would confuse and daunt an Albert Einstein. And to its lasting disgrace, the NPC at the last minute pulled out of its commitment to do a quick count.

But the damage had already been done to Namfrel. As a result of Tancangco's fierce opposition to its accreditation, Namfrel only received formal accreditation last month. The protracted uncertainty and the probability that it would not get the accreditation severely undermined its efforts to recruit volunteers. Also by the time the accreditation came, schools had already gone on vacation and Namfrel lost a rich mine of potential recruits.

Despite its severe manpower lack, Namfrel rushed to the thick of battle. Even as late as on the eve of the elections, it was giving briefings to volunteers. Last May 14, grossly undermanned Namfrel teams fanned out to the different precincts nationwide. In a Tondo high school alone, six Namfrel volunteers tried to do the impossible task of monitoring more than 100 precincts. In many instances, teachers who had been poorly orientated on the conduct of voting had to turn to the volunteers to seek advice on tricky procedures. The volunteers authoritatively gave their advice.

It was the volunteers, too, who kept vigil, along with the teachers, during the tortuous tallying that seemed to have become even maze-like in proportion to the number of disruptive and disunited Comelec commissioners. One Namfrel student volunteer could only moan at the over-regimented procedures. "It was a system designed to fail," he said.

Despite the failings of the conduct of the elections, May 14 saw again Filipino volunteerism in spectacular, even courageous, form. Namfrel may have had its miscalculations, but it deserves, along with other election monitors like the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting and Vote Care of the CBCP, a pat in the back for overseeing the elections against terrible odds. For subverting volunteerism and even the election, the Comelec deserves a plague on its house.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## Vox populi, vox diaboli

**SEPARATE OPINION**

*Isagani A. Cruz*

GOING over the results of the last elections, I am convinced more than ever before that the voice of the people is not the voice of God. That chestnut has survived through the centuries to continue deceiving the gullible with its blasphemy.

*Vox populi, vox Dei* was a lie even during the days of the imperial Caesars, when demagogues and lunatics foisted their arbitrary rule upon the people in the name of the gods. If they succeeded in holding on to their thrones, it was not by the will of Mt. Olympus but the acquiescence of the masses.

Don't be carried away by Mark Antony's oration. The senators assassinated Julius Caesar because he was a tyrant. The real hero in that drama was Brutus, who plotted against his friend, as he put it, "not that I loved Caesar less but that I loved Rome more." In his own way, Brutus wanted to show that the will of the people was not the will of love.

I have no similar homicidal intention but I do share the conviction that the will of the people is not necessarily the will of God. I would not impute to God the many stupid choices people all over the world have made of the leaders who mesmerized and then deceived them.

Lenin, who ordered the murder of Czar Nicholas II and his family, and Stalin even before his ruthless rule, were hailed by the Russian masses as the saviors of their country. Hitler rose to power with the initial voluntary support of the nationalistic Germans, only to later ignite World War II and the ferocious hatred of all humanity. Mussolini became the enthusiastic Italians' Il Duce before they realized his evil mind and spat upon his corpse.

The fiery Sukarno, acclaimed as the architect of Indonesia's independence, was unceremoniously deposed by Suharto and the other generals in 1968. After more than 30 years in power, Suharto himself was evicted by his disenchanted people and is now accused of massive corruption.

Alberto Fujimori, elevated to the presidency of Peru on a wave of popular support, is now a despised fugitive from the country he has betrayed. Currently, President Charles Taylor of Liberia, elected by an overwhelming majority in 1997, is wreaking untold havoc upon the people who had trusted him before and detest him now.

In our own country, Ferdinand Marcos was elected handily over Diosdado Macapagal in 1965 and Sergio Osmena Jr. in 1969. Deposed in 1986, he has earned worldwide notoriety with revelations of his incredible pillage of billions of public funds in US dollars. Joseph Estrada, his admirer and follower who was also elected with an impressive vote, may prove to be an even viler villain than his model.

Erap has the distinction of being the first president in Asia to be impeached and later directly removed by the people on the strength of the tremendous damning evidence of his enormous offenses. He has given new meaning to Marcos' kleptocracy and bids fair to surpass his idol's infamy. Facing plunder charges amounting to billions of public funds for which the maximum penalty is death, he is now a detention prisoner for the non-bailable offense.

Erap had earlier said the recent elections would be a referendum on his claim to return to the presidency. That pretense has been rejected with the defeat of most of the opposition candidates, probably including his own wife. His support was obviously not enough for his vicarious return to political power, especially with the capital crimes hanging over his head. Loyalty, he must have discovered by now, is only a convenient virtue.

The opposition victors generally made it on their own without or despite their ties to their fallen idol. They must be thinking they don't really owe Erap much, especially with his charisma slipping fast against the new idol of the *masa*. It won't be long now before they transfer their allegiance to Noli de Castro, with whom they can also identify for shallowness.

It's silly to say that in voting for certain Erap candidates, the electorate was voting with the voice of God. In His infinite wisdom, God could not have called on the voters to support demented and unprincipled people, whose arrogance is matched only by their avarice, and their ignorance only by their presumptuousness, to preside over the destiny of the Filipino nation.

A masochist is a person who enjoys being dominated, mistreated or hurt in some way, usually physical. That describes the Philippine electorate but not God. From the results of the last elections, it would appear that there are still many Filipino voters who like to be dominated by charlatans, madmen (and women), ignoramuses, disco dancers and crooks, as their idea of the ideal public servant.

If any truth is to attach to the Roman maxim, it could be to consider it as a divine judgment for the people's folly. In Tagalog, we call it *hampas ng langit*. God may be so displeased over the mindless way we have been choosing our leaders that, out of sheer impatience, he has allowed us to vote as we please, without His guidance. He is punishing us for our foolishness.

This must be the reason why, although our choices in the just-concluded elections have on the whole been wise, particularly in the Senate, there are still many misfits, dolts, vote-buyers, extortionists and other unsavory characters who have succeeded in polluting the government. Only the impious will believe that God elected this human garbage.

The voice of the people the voice of God? Some of the victors were the Devil's choice!

## Peace be with you!

**MOMENTS**

*Fr. Jerry M. Orbos, SVD*

I AM glad that the elections are over, if only for the paper that we will be saving. What a waste are all those posters and sample ballots strewn all over the place. Think how many trees were felled in the process and how many millions of pesos were spent! They could have been put for a better use, like for toilet paper. Actually, toilet paper is better than some politicians. The lowly toilet paper is useful and serves. Many of our politicians are not lowly, and once elected, they do not serve.

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**I wonder how many of those officials who won will remember their campaign promises and keep their word. "Whoever does not love me does not keep my word." (Jn. 14,23-29) It is really disgusting to see politicians do anything and promise everything just to win votes, and once that is done, goodbye, see you next time, till the next elections come along. People users!**

**You know what we as voters should become? Let us become tough like sandpaper! Let's see if politicians will still dare to use us! If we remain toilet paper they will just use and dispose us, but if we become *papel de liha, lilihain natin sila!***

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Sad to say, there is another paper that showed real power again in the last elections: money. Money flowed and money swayed votes in many places. This being the case, a poor person can never be elected to public office in the Philippines. Any ideas on how we can change this situation? Maybe I am still a dreamer, but I still dream of the day when we, the lowly, disposable toilet paper, will be able to band together and become stronger than all the money put together.

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**The Lord has a good word for us who may be disheartened, especially the "losers" in the eyes of the world: "Peace I leave with you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." If we do not have the powers and the riches of this world, it is because the Lord is shielding us from the troubles and burdens of this world. Let us not envy those who bask in the limelight. They have troubles bigger than ours. There is a price they have to pay. Their peace and their happiness are so fragile and fleeting.**

**Let us anchor our peace in the Lord. He alone is the source of true and lasting peace. Stay peaceful. Stay in the Lord. Stay in peace. Do not envy those who have no peace and no face. Period.**

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How do you know you have peace? If you can tell the Lord before you sleep, "Lord, if you want to take me already tonight, I'm ready," then you are at peace. If you are at peace with the world because you know you have not cheated, used or abused anyone, congratulations! You are blessed with peace. And if you can smile at yourself, accept your blessings along with your woes and can say, "*Okay lang tayo*," then blessed are you, for the kingdom of God is within you!

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**How thoughtful the Lord is to console us and assure us that He will never abandon us. He promised an advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach and remind us. This is the mark of a true leader. He stays with his flock. Unlike some of our elected leaders who forget us and are no longer available or reachable once they are in power.**

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"I am going away and I will come back to you." These words are really so assuring, coming from the Lord who knows the human heart that bleeds with every goodbye, and that longs for oneness and love. Elsewhere, He promised that He will not leave us orphans, and that He will always be with us.

Yes, all we need to know is that we are not alone. We can go through anything, suffer pain and bear problems because we know we are not alone.

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**A text message says: "Do not just thank God for your blessings. Rather, thank God that you are a blessing and a source of blessing for others too." In the same manner, do not just thank God that you have peace in your heart, in your family and in your home. Rather thank God that you are a source of peace for others too. Yes, let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. But, let it not end with me either.**

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As you go about spreading your peace, expect opposition, cynicism, even persecution. Take heart. If people do not receive your peace, the Lord said, let your peace come back to you. Peace be with you!

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**My deepest wish for all of us is that we have more peace in our lives. May we live more peaceful lives. Let us not live complicated lives. Keep it simple, right? But more than living simple lives, the secret of true peace is following God's will. Follow God, and you'll have peace. Turn away from God, and you'll never have true peace. Stay in peace. Stay in God.**

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*A moment with the Lord:*

*Lord, give me a peaceful heart, a peaceful home, a peaceful country, a peaceful life. Amen.*

# Winning the investors' votes

**CROSSCURRENTS**

*Antonio T. Carpio*

THE VOTERS have all cast their votes, and by giving the People Power Coalition 8 out of 13 seats being contested in the Senate race, they voted with some trepidation to look to the future. Now it is time for local and foreign investors to cast their votes too—whether or not to put their money in this country in the next three years.

Investors will invest only if the Macapagal administration succeeds in doing three things in the next three months. First, it must fashion out a majority coalition in both chambers of Congress. Second, it must solve the garbage problem in Metro Manila. Third, it must commit to bring down electric power rates to levels comparable to those of our Asean neighbors.

For any administration to succeed, it must win congressional approval for its legislative agenda. An administration that cannot get its bills passed by Congress runs an inutile government. No investor, not even a local one, will risk his money in a country ruled by such an inept government.

The next Congress must pass several highly political reform bills to enable the country to enjoy sustained economic growth. Congress must remove obstacles to investments in agriculture arising from the anti-market provisions of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law. In the last 13 years, very few investors put money in agriculture because agricultural land, not being readily transferable, is not accepted as collateral by private banks. This impediment must be removed.

Congress must liberalize our labor laws which have also become impediments to investments. Investors will avoid a country that blindly mandates wage increases even if productivity or income is falling. Wage increases must depend on increases in productivity or income, otherwise no sane investor will put his money in this country.

Congress must also redistribute further the allocation of government resources, particularly infrastructure development, away from Metro Manila and into the provinces. The more infrastructure resources are poured into Metro Manila, the more this area becomes a magnet for the unemployed. This will only add to Metro Manila's congestion, necessitating even more infrastructure development. This cycle will go on and on and the situation can only get worse, both economically and politically.

The garbage problem in Metro Manila has reached crisis proportions. Uncollected garbage in the streets has become the most visible symbol of government failure in providing basic services to the people. Right now nobody knows where our garbage is being dumped. We only know that Metro Manila, with a population of over 10 million, does not have a single sanitary landfill.

The garbage problem can be likened to the energy crisis that confronted the Ramos administration in mid-1992. Investors were saying then that if the Ramos administration could not promptly solve the energy crisis, then it could never solve any of the myriad problems facing the country. It can also be said now that if the Macapagal administration cannot promptly solve the current garbage crisis, then it cannot solve any other problem afflicting the nation.

Foreign and local investors looking at the Philippine market have now a choice whether to locate their factories in the Philippines or elsewhere in Asean or even in China. The Afta and WTO have removed quantitative and tariff barriers that used to shield local manufacturers from foreign competition. This makes power rate a critical factor in the choice of location of factories.

The Philippines has the highest power rate in Asean. Our power rate is 88 percent higher than that of Indonesia, 78 percent higher than that of Thailand, 55 percent higher than that of Malaysia, and 30 percent higher than that of Singapore. In the entire Asia, we have the second highest power rate, next only to Japan.

There should be no substantial difference in the cost of producing power among nations because the cost of building an electric plant and the cost of coal are almost the same worldwide. Our power rates, however, are substantially higher because we are paying for unusually high inefficiencies, including overpriced plants and fuel, euphemistically called "stranded costs."

The policy issue for the Macapagal administration to resolve is, who will pay for these stranded costs? Should consumers or taxpayers in general pay for these stranded costs? Or can these stranded costs be paid out of government revenue's from the Malampaya gas in Palawan? Ideally, consumers should pay for the cost of utilities. The problem arises when the cost carries extra expenses, and consumers, like investors, have other choices.

If these stranded costs are passed on to consumers, both local and foreign investors will not locate their factories in the Philippines. They will instead locate in other Asean countries where power rates are lower and simply ship their products to the Philippines. This has been happening in the last three years, and the pace will accelerate further as tariffs come down pursuant to our Afta and WTO commitments.

Factories provide employment, and employment is the only long-term solution to poverty in the country. Doles by government to the poor can never be sustained, and can only exacerbate the budgetary deficit. The first step in reducing poverty is to provide employment to the poor, particularly to those who live in urban areas. Job creation, therefore, must be at the very top of the Macapagal administration's short list of priorities.

In the next three months, local and foreign investors will be sizing up the Macapagal administration. Does it have the savvy to identify the critical problems that impede investors' confidence in the economy? Does it have the political will to forcefully solve these problems to the satisfaction of investors?

We will be counting the investors' votes by end of August 2001 and the count will not be as low as the Comelec or Namfrel count.

# Mideast report gets mixed reviews

**NEWS ANALYSIS**

*Luke Phillips*

JERUSALEM—The Palestinian Authority on Wednesday fully accepted the findings of the Mitchell Commission which looked into the origins of violence that has rocked the region since September, but warned it would reject any changes in the document's recommendations.

Israel, while calling the document "constructive and positive," rejected the report's call for a total settlement freeze and its criticism of "excessive" use of force against unarmed demonstrators.

"The question of the settlements is a matter that, together with, principally, Jerusalem, refugees and borders, has specifically been agreed by Israel and the Palestinian side as one for treatment in the permanent status negotiations," said Israel's official response, written by minister without portfolio Danny Naveh. "The violence was not initiated by Israel and...Israeli actions were exclusively responsive (to Palestinian attacks)."

But Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo warned: "We accept the report fully, but we won't accept any reservations from any other party, especially Israel."

Abed Rabbo added: "The need for a comprehensive application of the committee's report is extremely important given Israel's clear strategy of publicly accepting the report while rejecting the only recommendations giving the report credibility in Palestinian eyes: a freeze of settlements and revision of Israeli military policies.

"We invite the international community to join us in calling for a meeting at the highest level for all parties in order to develop a mechanism for the timely implementation of the committee's recommendations."

In Cairo Wednesday, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat called again for a new summit to be held in the Egyptian Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh to discuss the report by the commission, headed by former US Sen. and Northern Ireland peacebroker George Mitchell. "The commission was set up by the Sharm el-Sheikh summit, and that summit must reconvene to discuss the commission's report," Arafat told a press conference at the Arab League headquarters in Cairo.

Israel's Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, the leading dove in Ariel Sharon's right-leaning government, vowed Wednesday: "We can bridge over the remaining differences. There is enough of a heavy base and wide space to go ahead and renew the peace process."

"We do not intend to confiscate land in order to enlarge or build new settlements. We have a freeze unlimited in time on settlements," Peres told journalists here, calling the report a "highly balanced" analysis. "Peace cannot be a dictate. We have to sit down and look for common ground, and that calls for painful compromises."

The 15-nation European Union, in its clearest statement yet on the Middle East, said Wednesday it was up to Sharon to make the first move to end seven months of spiraling violence with Palestinians.

Speaking in the European Parliament, Swedish Foreign Minister Anna Lindh, whose country holds the rotating EU presidency, added that the EU fully endorsed the Mitchell Commission report into the sources of the bloodshed, and its call for an immediate halt to Jewish settlements on Palestinian land.

"Prime Minister Sharon was elected into office on a promise to increase security," Lindh told the European MPs, who are to vote Thursday on a resolution that will call for a more energetic EU role in the region. "Instead, the level of confrontation has increased, as have military activities. Mr. Sharon bears primary responsibility for turning the tide of developments. We feel that the settlement policy is at odds with international law, and represents a serious obstacle to peace. The EU urges Israel to withdraw from the settlements."

Palestinian international cooperation minister Nabil Shaath, on a visit to Washington, called Tuesday for President George W. Bush to formally endorse the Mitchell report, saying nothing else "would bolster the peacemakers more."

US Secretary of State Colin Powell has hailed the Mitchell report, saying without elaborating that it could "give us a launch pad to start a new initiative."

The Mitchell Commission was established in Egypt in October at the start of the intifada, or Palestinian uprising, which to date has claimed more than 530 lives, the vast majority of them Palestinian. *AFP*

# The bright side of the Pinoy voter

**PUBLIC LIVES**

*Randy David*

A VOTE, in many ways, is like a dream. You don't really know how it is formed, and why it takes the shape it has. In fact, it is the result of many impressions acquired largely by chance. There is very little about it that one can consider deliberate or willful.

When we have to explain a dream to ourselves, our effort produces meanings, not causes. The actual causes remain elusive, even as we may imagine ourselves the mindful and conscious authors of our actions. We tend to confuse rationalizations with causes. We think we vote on the basis of systematic criteria, but in fact we are only providing rational accounts for choices formed on the basis of many unexamined desires. In short, we formulate the motive after the act.

We are "naturally" drawn, for example, to some candidates even before we have become conscious of the motive for voting for them. Juan Flavier is one such person. Many people find him cute and amiable, and for them that is a weightier reason for choosing him than the recognition that the Senate would profit from the presence of a medical doctor who had worked in the barrios. Our household help put Santanina Rasul at the top of their senatorial list because they said she had the beautiful face of a kind mother. Their choice had nothing to do with ensuring Muslim representation in the Senate.

Some people threaten us, others make us feel secure. Some simply rub us the wrong way, while others delight us. Miriam Santiago turns off a lot of people by her pathological arrogance, but others are absolutely fired by her irreverence and boldness. Many are aghast that Loi Estrada should agree to proxy for her disgraced husband by running for senator, but she has benefited from the sympathy of voters who think she should be rewarded for her suffering.

The meanings we attach to the way we vote indeed come after the fact, but they are important nevertheless, not only because they make us feel good but also because they become a powerful influence on our future actions. With this in mind, it is useful to draw some positive meanings from these otherwise disastrous elections, that signify the emergence of a better Filipino electorate in the coming years.

Let's begin with the phenomenal victory of Noli de Castro, the undisputed topnotcher in the current senatorial race. Instead of viewing this as the triumph of just another media star from ABS-CBN, we might look upon it as the expression of a desire for an honest and non-elite oriented government. In his capacity as a broadcaster of many years, De Castro has carefully nurtured the image of a crusader against abusive, incompetent and corrupt public officials. It is his burden to validate this image when he moves to the Senate. The masses see in him a friend and an ally who will bring their plight to the attention of government. That too is a legitimate yearning in an unequal society like ours.

On the other hand, we can consider as ethical progress the defeat of many media and movie celebrities who have nothing more substantial to offer the public than sheer popularity. Our people have learned a lot from the way Joseph Estrada failed their most sublime expectations. They still love him, but they have seen for themselves that the presidency was just too big a role for him. After Erap, movie actors will have a tougher time proving themselves before the electorate.

If the elections were a referendum on the legitimacy of the Macapagal administration, I believe the victory of most of the People Power Coalition candidates affirms the electorate's general approval of the power shift that occurred in January this year. Our people want to move on. They have foreclosed the possible restoration to the presidency of Estrada. They feel sorry for Erap, and their support for the candidacy of his wife is their way of consoling him, but they don't want him back as president.

That is why Santiago and Juan Ponce Enrile, Erap's staunchest supporters, the ones most vociferous in denouncing Edsa II and the Macapagal presidency, have not done well in these elections. In contrast, the moderate Ed Angara, the newcomer Ping Lacson, and the quiet Gringo Honasan are in the winning circle. Together with Loi Estrada, they are expected to represent the interests of the opposition in the Senate. What this suggests is a strong belief in the desirability of balanced representation, minus the counter-productive presence of those who prefer to look backward than forward.

Finally, it is instructive to look into the defeat of the once popular Orly Mercado, candidate for senator, and of Fred Lim, candidate for Manila mayor. Filipinos appear to reserve their deepest contempt for "*balimbings*" or turncoats, not because they value friendship and loyalty above principled action but because they do not trust individuals who cannot make up their minds or change them too often. Mercado made a principled stand at Edsa II at a crucial hour; what then was he doing at Edsa III? Lim, who served as Erap's interior secretary, appeared from nowhere at Edsa II, when it was too late for such a presence to have any decent meaning.

We may think the average Filipino voter to be decadent and hopeless, but in some ways he has become more mature over the years. The spectacle of a bungling Comelec is not very inspiring, but that is hardly the fault of the voter. A voter turnout of 85 percent is nothing to scoff at.

Lastly, I must point out one important development that truly gives us hope, and that is the successful entry into political life of a growing number of highly qualified young people. Rizal would have rejoiced.

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# First 100 days and beyond

**COMMENTARY**

*E. C. de Jesus*

ADDRESSING an audience of media people, Bill Clinton reported the caustic comment of a columnist on the first 100 days of his presidency: God did more in six days than Clinton did in a hundred. Clinton's rejoinder: God did not succeed a previous administration.

President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo would fervently echo this sentiment. Propelled suddenly into power by the implosion of the Estrada presidency, she and her finance managers found themselves left holding the bag, emptied by the excesses of Erap et al. Her administration then had to face the formidable task of rebuilding in the context of economic uncertainty among the country's principal trading partners, the frustrated expectations raised by populist dole-out programs of the previous administration, frustrations easily exploited by opposition politicians campaigning for the elections.

Even a government succeeding according to prescribed and predictable rules of succession would find difficulty delivering concrete projects after a hundred days. Given the irregular genesis of her administration and the controversies that attended its birth, the Macapagal presidency could realistically hope to achieve only a couple of goals: first, establish control over the machinery of government; and, second, communicate how its policies and practices would differ from those of the previous regime.

The May 1 assault on Malacañang totally eclipsed what could have been a chance to reaffirm the policy thrust of the Macapagal administration. But this challenge, her response and the varied public reactions perhaps offer the most succinct summary of Ms Macapagal's achievement in the first 100 days and her continuing problems as she forges ahead.

A fair degree of consensus has settled on the matter of the achievements. The President met the threat of a violence-prone mob and, without flinching, faced it down, using a minimum of the powers available to her as commander in chief. Individual police and military personnel maltreated individual rioters taken into custody. Ideally, this should not have happened. By and large, however, the security forces conducted themselves with competence, courage and cool professionalism, winning the esteem of observers for their disciplined display of "megatolerance."

Opposition politicians protesting against the excessive use of force were visibly straining for effect. Estimates of the mob launched against Malacañang ranged from 20,000 to 25,000. The number of fatalities among the rioters, excluding one policeman who was killed, ranged from four to 13, during a period when newspapers were almost daily reporting election-related deaths. No death is insignificant, but surely had the security forces excessively applied the firepower at their disposal, there would have been greater number of casualties.

The immediate surge of the stock market and the strengthening of the peso mocked the dire warnings about the "chilling" effect that the state of rebellion declaration would have on the country. Martial law veterans derided the complaints that the country had succumbed to the undeclared imposition of martial law, especially those coming from Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile, who is remembered for staging a fake ambush attempt to justify the imposition of martial law.

Sen. Edgardo Angara worried that the government's response to the mob had reduced the country to the level of Burma. The kindest observation that can be made about this lament is that Angara does not appear to know very much about Burma.

Soul-searching over the May Day incident, which has focused on the origins, profile and motivations of the mob, also projects what must be the continuing concern of the Macapagal administration. NGO and religious leaders who have worked with the communities from which the rioters came are questioning the effectiveness of their intervention.

Granting that money figured in the presence of the crowd at Edsa, that self-serving politicians exploited their poverty and desperation, that some were under the influence of liquor or drugs, crucial questions still remain. How are they so easily manipulated by celebrities? Whence comes this abiding faith in Erap, despite ample evidence that he has betrayed the trust of the *masa*? Many of them must have experienced and perhaps even rallied against the way our systems discriminate against the poor. Why are they demanding special privileges for Erap?

The societal failure exposed at Mendiola has many fathers. If people find difficulty distinguishing between rhetoric and reality, between movies and real life, then the educational process has failed to prepare them for citizenship within a democracy. As Rousseau has warned, "Freedom is a most succulent dish but one that is difficult to digest." If the people at Mendiola had not even enjoyed access at least to a sound basic education, then there has been failure in governance and leadership as well.

These multiple failures have condemned too many Filipinos to remain today in the condition diagnosed by Simon Bolivar as prevailing among the people of Venezuela over 200 years ago. Then newly liberated from Spanish colonial rule, the people remained "bound by the triple yoke of ignorance, tyranny and corruption."

As long as this condition persists, Bolivar warned, the democratic enterprise will remain a precarious experiment. The liberties gained by a people so burdened would easily slip their grasp "for there would be no way of persuading them that...morality and not force is the basis of law, and that the exercise of justice is the exercise of freedom."

Resolving the roots of the resentments and motivations of the Mendiola rioters is clearly a task beyond the hundred days. These did not crystallize overnight. And these are no silver bullets that will effect their overnight transformation. But the communities from which the rioters came must see the Macapagal administration as committed to understanding their grievances and prepared, even in incremental ways, to begin addressing them.

Politicians look for quickie solutions, preferably implementable within their tenure. Impact projects have their value, but over the long haul, the government must make a serious and sustained commitment to improve the quality of basic education. Patient and persistent effort over many administrations will be required "to lay the foundations of a new people."

We have gone through Edsa I and Edsa II. But if we are not able to address the issue of education, the fundamental threat detected by Bolivar remains: "An ignorant people is the blind instrument of its own destruction" and, in his prophetic words, "All our new beginnings will end in slavery."

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**THEY SAID**

## Squabbling Comelec

"There were more squabbles than planning."
***—Alliance of Concerned Teachers vice chair Benjie Valbuena's criticism on the Comelec***

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# Who's winning, who's losing in the provinces

## CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

(NAMFREL: As of 4 p.m., May 19)

### ABRA

(Namfrel: 14 towns, complete)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Luis Bersamin Jr. (PDSP) | 27,215 |
| Rodolfo Millare (Lakas-NUCD) | 8,530 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ernesto Pacuño Sr. (Lakas) | 16,554 |
| Vicente Valera (PDSP-PPC) | 28,295 |

### APAYAO

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Elias Bulut Jr. (NPC) | 2,351 |
| Noble Perez (Lakas-NUCD) | 1,621 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Elias Bulut Sr. (NPC) | 2,351 |
| Ambaro Sagle (Reporma-LM) | 731 |

### BENGUET

(COMELEC: As of 4 p.m.)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ronald Cosalan (Lakas) | 48,991 |
| Samuel Dangwa (Reporma) | 56,667 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Raul Molintas (NPC) | 56,676 |
| Robert Tinda-an (Lakas) | 50,614 |

### BAGUIO CITY

(Comelec: 600 precincts)

**Lone District:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mauricio Domogan (Lakas) | 47,464 |
| Pablito Sanidad (PDP-Lakas) | 25,797 |

### IFUGAO

(NAMFREL: complete)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Evangeline Cappleman (NPC) | 19,936 |
| Solomon Chungalao (LP) | 23,320 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Teodoro Baguilat Jr. | 20,520 |
| Gualberto Lumauig (Lakas) | 12,159 |

### MOUNTAIN PROVINCE

**Lone district** (proclaimed)
Roy Pilando (LDP-NPC-LP)

**Governor** (proclaimed)
Sario Malinias (NPC)

## CAGAYAN VALLEY

### BATANES

**Lone district:** (proclaimed)
Florencio Abad (LP)

### CAGAYAN

**District 1** ***(proclaimed)***
Juan Ponce Enrile Jr. (Ind.)

**District 2** ***(proclaimed)***
Celia Layus (NPC)

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rodolfo Aguinaldo (NPC) | 39,954 |
| Manuel Mamba (Lakas-NUCD) | 51,472 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: As of 2 p.m. May 18)

| | |
|---|---|
| Edgar Lara | 116,351 |
| Florencio Vargas | 104,115 |

### ISABELA

**District 1**

(Comelec: 394 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Rodolfo Albano Sr. | 32,581 |
| Aurora de Jalban | 8,437 |

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Edwin Uy

**District 3**

(Comelec: 123 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Faustino Dy III | 8,044 |
| Grace Padaca | 4,432 |

**District 4**

(Comelec: 385 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Antonio Abaya | 25,160 |
| Giorgigi Aggabao | 20,458 |

### NUEVA VIZCAYA

(Prov'l Election Monitoring Center: Complete)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Carlos Padilla (LDP) | 32,407 |
| Ernesto Salun-at (Lakas) | 9,746 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rodolfo Agbayani (NPC) | 43,029 |
| Lauro Palafox (LP) | 524 |

### QUIRINO

(Comelec: final)

**Lone district**

| | |
|---|---|
| Junie Cua (LP) | 26,397 |
| Josie Co (Lakas) | 18,462 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Pedro Bacani (LDP) | 33,561 |
| Dante Valencia (Lakas) | 9,071 |

## ILOCOS REGION

### ILOCOS NORTE

**District 1**

(Namfrel: 8 of 12 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Rodolfo Fariñas (NPC) | 19,051 |
| Roque Ablan Jr. (Lakas-NUCD) | 30,386 |

**District 2**

(Comelec: 11 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Imee Marcos (KBL) | 88,145 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: 21 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Ferdinand Marcos Jr. (KBL) | 159,839 |

### ILOCOS SUR

Comelec: Complete, 678 precincts)

**District 1 (proclaimed)**
Salacnib Baterina (Lakas-NUCD) 48,293

**District 2 (proclaimed)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Eric Singson (LP) | 75,781 |

**Governor (proclaimed)**
Deogracias Victor S. (Bileg-Lakas)

### PANGASINAN

**District 1 (proclaimed)**
Arthur Celeste (Ind.)

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Amado Espino Jr.(Lakas-NUCD)

**District 3 (proclaimed)**
Generoso, Tulagan

**District 4 (proclaimed)**
Jose de Venecia (Lakas)

**District 5 (proclaimed)**
Marcos Cojuangco (NPC)

**District 6 (proclaimed)**
Conrado Estrella III (NPC)

**Governor (proclaimed)**
Victor Agbayani (Lakas-NUCD)

### LA UNION

**District 1 (proclaimed)**
Manuel Ortega (NPC)

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Tomas Dumpit Sr. (NPC)

**Governor (proclaimed)**
Victor Ortega (Lakas-NUCD)

## CENTRAL LUZON

### PAMPANGA

(Comelec: 16 of 20 towns, 2 cities)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Francis Nepomuceno (NPC) | 55,739 |
| Willy Rivera (Lakas-NUCD) | 36,742 |

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Zenaida Cruz-Ducut (NPC)

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Oscar Rodriguez (Lakas) | 90,514 |
| Rosve Henson (NPC) | 28,411 |

**District 4**

| | |
|---|---|
| Juan Pablo Bondoc (NPC) | 95,651 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Manuel Lapid (Lakas) | 343,947 |
| Ananias Canlas Jr. (Buklod) | 29,678 |

### TARLAC

**District 1**

(Namfrel: 955 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Gilberto Teodoro Jr. (NPC) | 81,563 |
| Amando Lambino (KAMPI) | 7,830 |

**District 2**

(Namfrel: 1,019 of 1,114 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Benigno Aquino III (LP) | 92,781 |
| Alexander Tolentino (LDP) | 6,539 |

**District 3**

(Namfrel: 649 of 776 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Jesli Lapus (NPC) | 46,190 |
| Alfredo Avena (Lakas) | 25,200 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Jose Yap (NPC) | 129,936 |
| Herminio Aquino (Lakas) | 88,486 |
| Gelacio Manalang (LDP) | 116,763 |

### ZAMBALES

**District 1 (proclaimed)**
James Gordon Jr (Lakas-NP)

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Ruben Torres (Ind )

### BATAAN

**District 1 (proclaimed)**
Antonino Romas (Ind )

**District 2 (proclaimed)**
Enrique Garcia Jr. (LDP)

**Governor**
Leonardo Roman (NPC)

### NUEVA ECIJA

**District 1**

(Comelec: 4 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Josefina Joson | 30,570 |
| Cecilia Diaz | 10,884 |

**District 2**

(Radio dwNE: As of May 18)

| | |
|---|---|
| Eleuterio Violago | 32,098 |
| Simeon Garcia Jr. | 20,091 |

**District 3**

(LDP: As of May 18)

| | |
|---|---|
| Aurelio Umali | 63,607 |
| Edward Thomas Joson | 53,135 |

**District 4**

(Radio dwNE)

| | |
|---|---|
| Raul Villareal | 19,202 |
| Gregorio Manuel | 8,949 |

**Governor**

(Radio dwNE)

| | |
|---|---|
| Tomas Joson III (Balane) | 98,806 |
| Pacifico Fajardo (Lakas) | 43,195 |

(Balane HQ)

| | |
|---|---|
| Tomas Joson III (Balane) | 214,780 |
| Pacifico Fajardo (Lakas) | 98,313 |

### BULACAN

(Comelec: As of 4 p.m., May 18)

**District 1**

(Comelec: 8 of 24 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Wilhelmino Sy-Alvarado (Lakas) | 16,123 |
| Raul Ople (LDP) | 3,593 |

**District 2**

(Comelec: 5 of 7 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Ramon Posadas (Lakas) | 15,709 |
| Gavini Pancho (Reporma-LM) | 3,317 |
| Wilfrido Villarama (Aksyon) | 48,940 |

**District 3**

(Comelec: 1 of 6 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Lorna Silverio (Lakas) | 2,391 |
| Bodjie Cabochan (Lakas) | 1,209 |

**District 4**

(Comelec: 1 of 5 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Evangelina Sarmiento (Lakas) | 2,504 |
| Reylina Nicolas (Lakas) | 11,500 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: 8 of 24 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Josefina de la Cruz (Lakas) | 138,877 |
| Luz Parungao-Viado (PMP) | 5,531 |

## BICOL

(Namfrel: As of 12 noon, May 18)

### SORSOGON

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Escudero, Francis G. (NPC) | 39,139 |
| Gohol, Gil S. (Lakas-NUCD) | 13,335 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gonzales, Rodolfo F. (Lakas) | 35,146 |
| Solis, Jose G. (Ind.) | 35,299 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Lee, Raul (LDP) | 101,117 |
| Guab, Romeo (Lakas) | 47,101 |

### CAMARINES SUR

(Comelec: As of 3:15 p.m., May 19)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Andaya, Rolando Jr. G. (Lakas) | 68,703 |
| Genova, Roberto U. (LDP) | 30,178 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Roco, Sulpicio Jr. S. (Aksyon) | 52,147 |
| San Buenaventura, L. E. (L) | 23,369 |
| Villafuerte, Mariano Jose (LDP) | 38,142 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Fuentebella, Felix William(NPC) | 54,347 |
| Pilapil, Eduardo P. (LDP) | 35,383 |

**District 4**

| | |
|---|---|
| Alfelor, Felix (Lakas-NUCD) | 29,383 |
| Fortuno, Salvio B. (LDP) | 34,646 |

**Governor**

(Excludes Iriga City and Buhi)

| | |
|---|---|
| Villafuerte, Luis R. (LDP) | 270,719 |
| Villamayor, Nora C. (Lakas) | 65,352 |

### CAMARINES NORTE

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Unico, Renato Jr. (Lakas) | 53,141 |
| Panotes, Elmer (Aksyon) | 39,376 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Typoco, Jesus Jr. (Lakas) | 60,750 |
| Pimentel, Emmanuel (LDP) | 46,465 |

### CATANDUANES

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Santiago, Joseph (NPC) | 33,387 |
| Verceles, Nathalie (Lakas) | 28,878 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Sanchez, Hector (Aksyon) | 25,362 |
| Verceles, Leandro (Ind.) | 37,084 |

### MASBATE

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Espinosa, Vida (NPC) | 19,722 |
| Ejercito, Jennifer (PMP) | 14,417 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Espinosa, Emilio Jr. (INA-NPC) | 26,555 |
| Estrella, Raul (Reporma) | 14,053 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Seachon, Fausto Jr. (NPC-INA) | 31,120 |
| Kho Elisa (Reporma) | 23,019 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Danao, Orlando (Lakas) | 75,149 |
| Kho, Antonio (Reporma) | 91,659 |

### ALBAY

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Karie, Ana Marie T. (Aksyon) | 28,591 |
| Lagman-Luistro, Krisel B. (L) | 67,930 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Imperial, Carlos D. R. (NPC) | 52,335 |
| Roces, Imelda C. (Lakas) | 36,765 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Salceda, Jose Ma. S. (Lakas) | 86,324 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bichara, Al Francis (Lakas) | 187,352 |
| Salalima, Romeo R. (Kampi) | 113,244 |

## SOUTHERN TAGALOG

### BATANGAS

(Namfrel As of 2 p.m , May 19)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ermita-Buhain, Elenita R (L) | 86,205 |
| Apacible, Rosano M. (LDP) | 65,920 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Perez, Francisco II S. (Lakas) | 60,941 |
| Mendoza, Edgar L. (LDP) | 50,707 |
| Sulit, Edwin P. (Ind.) | 15,793 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Laurel, Jose Macario (Lakas) | 37,367 |
| Reyes, Victoria H. (Reporma) | 38,586 |

**District 4**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gozos, Oscar L. (Lakas) | 84,132 |
| Sabili, Meynardo A. (Reporma) | 54,714 |
| Recto, Richard G. (Lakas) | 16,164 |
| Umali Ruben L. (NPC) | 35,345 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mandanas, Hermilando (R) | 521,142 |
| Vicente Platon (PPC) | 84,079 |

### MARINDUQUE

**Lone district**

| | |
|---|---|
| Reyes, Edmundo Jr.(Lakas) | 36,875 |
| Red, Jovito W. (PDP-Laban) | 3,467 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Reyes, Carmencita (Lakas) | 27,398 |
| Carreon, Bong (Ind.) | 17,288 |

### CAVITE

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Abaya, Plandel M. (LP) | 59,108 |
| Guerrero, Leonardo L. (Lakas) | 10,159 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Dragon, Renato (Ind.-Magdalo) | 29,763 |
| Remulla, Gilbert (Magdalo) | 102,269 |
| Velasco, Epimaco A. (Lakas) | 75,934 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Panlilio, Jose Marcel E. (Lakas) | 24,404 |
| Beratio, Napoleon R. (PM) | 57,420 |
| Beltran, Raymundo N. (Kampi) | 24,142 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Maliksi, Erineo S. (PM) | 370,004 |
| Revilla, Ramon Jr. B. (Lakas) | 271,245 |

### LAGUNA

(Namfrel: 957 of 5,114 precincts)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Anas, Arturo A. (Lakas-NUCD) | 12,490 |
| Joaquin, Uliran T. (NPC) | 91,249 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Chipeco, Joaquin (Kampi) | 104,841 |
| Tingzon, Rodolfo R. (Lakas) | 39,367 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Amante, Vicente B. (Lakas) | 8,625 |
| Bueser, Danton Q. (LP) | 18,757 |

**District 4**

| | |
|---|---|
| San Luis, Rodolfo S. (LDP) | 16,102 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: As of 12 noon, May 18)

| | |
|---|---|
| Lina, Alberto D. (Kampi) | 127,290 |
| Lazaro, Teresita S. (PMP) | 193,945 |

### ORIENTAL MINDORO

(Namfrel: 81 precincts)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Leviste, Charity P. (Lakas) | 61,728 |
| Manzo, Dante A. | 41,482 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Andaya, Manuel D.G. (Lakas) | 26,603 |
| Punzalan, Jesus M. (Lakas) | 28,643 |
| Umali, Alfonso Jr. V. (LP) | 30,317 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: final, unofficial)

| | |
|---|---|
| Marasigan, Bartolome Sr.(L) | 113,406 |
| Valencia, Chalie P. (LP) | 92,585 |

### QUEZON

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Devanadera, Agnes S. (Lakas) | 13,138 |
| Nantes, Rafael P. (LP) | 37,490 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Punzalan, Lynnette A. | 46,677 |
| Escueta, Eduardo Pio U. (LDP) | 23,424 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Suarez, Aleta Catarina (LP) | 3,604 |
| Ojeda, Joselito A. (Lakas) | 1,652 |

**District 4**

| | |
|---|---|
| Yumul Georgilu (PMP) | 14,350 |
| Tanada, Lorenzo III R. (LP) | 12,498 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Enverga, Wilfrido L. (Reporma) | 96,352 |
| Rodriguez, Eduardo T. (Lakas) | 66,473 |

### PALAWAN

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Reyes, Joel (Lakas) | 105,838 |
| Hagedorn, Edward (NPC) | 73,318 |

## WESTERN VISAYAS

### AKLAN (Proclaimed)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gabrielle Calizo (LDP) | 59,529 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Florencio Miraflores (LDP) | 78,905 |

### ANTIQUE (Proclaimed)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Exequiel Javier (Lakas) | 73,936 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Sally Perez-Zaldevar (LDP) | 66,066 |

### CAPIZ (Proclaimed)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rodrigues Dadivas (LP) | 66,912 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Fredenil Castrol (LP) | 68,052 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Vicente Bermejo (LP) | 148,380 |

### NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

**District 1**

(Comelec: 16 towns of 19 towns and 9 of 13 cities)

| | |
|---|---|
| Julio Ledesma IV (UNA) | 32,446 |
| Salvador Rigor (ATUN) | 10,915 |

**District 2** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Richard Lacson (Lakas-PPC) | 51,245 |

District 3

| | |
|---|---|
| Jose Carlos Lacson (UNA) | 41,765 |
| Edith Villanueva (Lakas-ATUN) | 41,729 |

**District 4** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Carlos Cojuanco (UNA) | 62,650 |

**District 5**

| | |
|---|---|
| Jose Apolinario (Lakas) | 41,525 |
| Enrique Montilla (UNA) | 38,682 |

**District 6** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Genaro Alvarez (NPC) | 52,790 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Joseph Marañon (UNA) | 319,836 |
| Romeo Gamboa (ATUN) | 216,696 |

### BACOLOD CITY

**Lone District**

(Comelec. 1,049 of 1,209 precincts, 86.7%)

| | |
|---|---|
| Monico Fuentebella (Lakas) | 44,492 |
| John Orola (NPC-UNA) | 40,191 |

### ILOILO

**District 1**

(Comelec. 4 of 7 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Oscar Garin (NPC) | 33,208 |
| Jaime Torres (Lakas NUCD) | 17,788 |

**District 2**

(Comelec: 6 of 8 towns) (Comelec: 6 of 8 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Agusto Syjuco (LDP) | 41,936 |
| Rodolfo Cabado (Lakas) | 25,707 |

**District 3**

(Comelec: 5 of 9 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Arthur Defensor (Lakas) | 30,171 |
| Licurgo Tirador (LDP) | 10,677 |

**District 4**

(Comelec: 4 of 8 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Ferjinel Biron (LDP) | 21,573 |
| Narciso Monfort (Lakas) | 19,216 |

**District 5**

(Comelec: 9 of 11 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Rolex Sulpicio (LDP) | 52,569 |
| Antonio Teduco (Lakas) | 20,642 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: 28 of 42 towns, 1 city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Niel Tupas (LDP) | 168,004 |
| Demy Sonza (Lakas) | 106,797 |

### ILOILO CITY

(Comelec: 848 of 1,101 precincts,77%)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Raul Gonzalez (Lakas) | 73,150 |
| Pascual Espinosa Jr. (Ind.) | 5,184 |

### GUIMARAS

(Comelec: 249 of 364 precincts, 68.4%)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Edgar Espinosa (Lakas) | 14,863 |
| Vicente de Asis (LDP) | 12,150 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rahman Nava (LDP) | 24,207 |
| Gerry Yucon (Lakas) | 8,887 |

## CENTRAL VISAYAS

### CEBU

**District 1**

(Comelec: 4 of five towns and one city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Jose Gullas (Alayon) | 39,739 |
| Napoleon Rama Jr. (Promdi) | 31,195 |

**District 2** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Simeon Kintanar (Alayon) | 60,546 |

**District 3**

(Comelec: 6 of 6 towns and one city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Antonio Yapha Jr. (Alayon) | 45,215 |
| Jose Soberano III (Promdi) | 29,999 |

**District 4**

(Comelec: 6 of 9 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Clavel Asas-Martinez (Promdi) | 50,617 |
| Doroteo Salazar (Alayon) | 11,294 |

**District 5**

(Comelec: 9 of 10 towns and one city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Joseph Felix Durano (Alayon) | 59,688 |

**District 6**

(Comelec: 2 of 2 towns and partial in 2 cities)

| | |
|---|---|
| Nerissa Soon-Ruiz (Alayon) | 18,047 |
| Efren Herrera (Promdi) | 12,321 |

**Governor**

(Comelec: 44 of 47 towns and 5 cities)

| | |
|---|---|
| Pablo Garcia (Promdi) | 277,648 |
| Fernando Celeste (Alayon) | 254,998 |

### CEBU CITY

(Comelec: 315 of 1,985 precincts or 15.86%)

**North District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Raul Del Mar (Promdi-PPC) | 7,611 |
| Florencio Villarin (Ind.) | 965 |

**South District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Antonio Cuenco (Promdi) | 11,675 |
| Aristotle Batuhan (Alayon) | 10,705 |

**Mayor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Tomas Osmeña (BOPK-PPC) | 18,525 |
| Alvin Garcia (Kusog) | 18,356 |

### NEGROS ORIENTAL

(Comelec: 7 of 8 towns and 1 of 1 city)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Jacinto Paras (Lakas-PPC) | 46,624 |
| Reynaldo Tuanda (NPC) | 21,426 |

**District 2** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Emilio Macias (NPC) | 65,597 |

**District 3** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Herminio Teves (Lakas-PPC) | 108,762 |

Governor

(Comelec: 2,703 of 2,783 precincts or 97%)

| | |
|---|---|
| George Arnaiz (NPC) | 186,296 |
| Edgar Teves (Lakas-PPC) | 126,011 |

### SIQUIJOR

**Lone District** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Orlando Fua, Jr. (Lakas) | 24,596 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Orlando Fua Sr. (Lakas NUCD) | 19,822 |

### BOHOL

(Namfrel: 2884 of 3,041 or 93.45 %)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Edgar Chatto (PDP) | 62,188 |
| Jacinto Agana (Lakas-PPC) | 5,785 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Roberto Cajes (Lakas) | 37,524 |
| Jose Jumamoy (PDP) | 35,069 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Eladio Jala (PDP) | 57,317 |
| Isidro Zarraga (Kampi) | 36,410 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Erico Aumentado (Lakasl) | 181,747 |
| Rene Relampagos (PDP) | 150,528 |

## EASTERN VISAYAS

### LEYTE

**District 1**

(Comelec: 7 of 7 towns and 1 city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Ted Failon (Ind.) | 55,758 |
| Alfred Romualdez (NPC-KBL) | 50,736 |

**District 2** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Trinidad Apostol(Lakas-NUCD) | 62,745 |

**District 3** (Proclaimed)

| | |
|---|---|
| Edward Veloso (NPC-KBL) | 26,837 |

**District 4**

(Comelec: 5 of 6 towns, 1 city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Eufrocino Codilla Sr. | 34,275 |
| Victoria Larrazabal-Locsin | 28,066 |

**District 5**

(Comelec: 8 of 9 towns)

| | |
|---|---|
| Eriberto Veloso Loreto (LDP) | 32,415 |
| Carmen Loreto Cari (Lakas) | 29,823 |

**Governor**

Comelec: 39 of 41 towns and 1 city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Remedios Loreto (Lakas) | 246,977 |
| Catalina Loreto-GO (LDP) | 137,747 |

### TACLOBAN CITY

**Mayor** (suspended canvassing)

(Namfrel: 400 of 444 precincts or 90%)

| | |
|---|---|
| Alfredo Romualdez | 26,625 |
| Mimiette Bagulaya | 11,300 |

### EASTERN SAMAR

**Lone District**

(Comelec: 21 of 23 towns or 91%)

| | |
|---|---|
| Marcelino Libanan (NPC) | 60,661 |
| Emiliana Villacarillo (Lakas) | 39,729 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Clotilde Salazar (NPC) | 41,229 |
| Jose Ramirez (Lakas) | 39,608 |
| Ruperto Ambil (LDP) | 33,257 |

### NORTHERN SAMAR

(suspended canvassing)

**District 1**

(Namfrel: 436 of 1,336 precincts)

| | |
|---|---|
| Harine Abayon (LP) | 38,875 |
| Teodoro Jumamil (Lakas) | 22,217 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Romualdo Vicencio(Lakas) | 19,950 |
| Jose Ong (Lakas-Ind.) | 13,318 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Raul Daza (LP) | 65,128 |
| Madeleine Ong (Lakas) | 40,220 |

### SOUTHERN LEYTE

**Lone District**

(Comelec: 16 of 18 towns and 1 city)

| | |
|---|---|
| Anecito Saludo (Lakas) | 44,448 |
| Rebert Castañares (NPC) | 42,191 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rosette Lerias (NPC) | 50,153 |
| Roger Mercado (Lakas) | 42,738 |

### BILIRAN (Proclaimed)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gerardo Espina Sr. (B. Espina) | 29,325 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Rogelio Espina (Bando Espina) | 25,756 |

## MINDANAO

### AGUSAN DEL NORTE

(Comelec: 7 of 11 towns)

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Amante, Edelmiro (Lakas) | 22,677 |
| Libanos, Roan (PPC) | 17,562 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Amante, Angelica (Lakas) | 30,002 |
| Libarios, Sheila (PPC) | 18,134 |

### AGUSAN DEL SUR

(Comelec: Only one town left, Trento)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Plaza, Rodolfo (LDP) | 76,269 |
| Paredes, Celerino Jr. (LakasD) | 55,269 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Plaza, Adolph Edward (LDP) | 90,014 |
| Quijada, Reynaldo (Lakas) | 50,141 |

### BUKIDNON

(Namfrel: As of 12 noon, May 17)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Acosta, Nereus (LP) | 11,701 |
| Albarece, Johnny (Lakas-NUCD) | 8,000 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ancheta, Berthobal (Lakas) | 29,583 |
| Tabios, Ernesto (LDP) | 15,486 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Zubiri, Juan Miguel (Lakas) | 13,586 |
| Montalvan, Juanita (LMP) | 3,786 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Zubiri, Jose (Lakas-NUCD) | 93,265 |
| Beltran, Nemesio (LMP) | 41,730 |

### CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY

(Namfrel: As of May 18)

**Lone district**

| | |
|---|---|
| Jaraula, Constantino (PnM) | 54,591 |
| Damasing, Erasmo (Lakas) | 39,223 |

### COMPOSTELA VALLEY

(Namfrel: As of 2 p.m.)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Garcia, Florante (Reporma) | 29,297 |
| Zamora, Manuel (Lakas) | 33,290 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Amatong, Prospero (Lakas) | 37,698 |
| Uy, Arturo (Reporma) | 36,398 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cabellero, Jose (Reporma) | 97,901 |
| Sarmiento, Rogelio (Lakas) | 75,697 |

### DAVAO CITY

(Namfrel: 2,848 of 3,055 precincts, 89%)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Nograles, Prospero (Lakas) | 84,190 |
| Avisado, Wendell (PDP) | 42,894 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Garcia, Vicente (NPC) | 24,291 |
| Alterado, Sinforiano (PMP) | 21,412 |
| Nograles, Gerardo (Kampi) | 18,967 |
| Aportadera, Abellardo (Rep.) | 12,156 |
| Orcullo, Nenita (PDP) | 14,557 |
| Bian, Joji (Lakas-Aksyon) | 9,953 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Lopez, Ruy Elias (NPC) | 46,514 |
| Rodriguez, Sonja (Ind.) | 13,678 |
| Dolor, Allan (LDP) | 12,124 |
| Lopez, Jose (Ind.) | 5,937 |

### DAVAO DEL SUR

(Namfrel: 1,818 of 2,696 precincts)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cagas, Douglas (NPC) | 67,733 |
| Villaber, Pablo (Ind.) | 2,522 |

**District 3**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bautista, Claude (NPC) | 5,757 |
| Sarmiento, Isidro (Lakas-NUCD) | 1,248 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Llanos, Reynerio (NPC) | 63,257 |
| Sunga, Antonio (Lakas-NUCD) | 44,946 |

### DAVAO DEL NORTE

(Namfrel: As of 8 a.m.)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Lemos, Meliton (Reporma) | 14,642 |
| Olano, Arel (Lakas) | 15,944 |
| Sator, Baltazar (PDSP) | 14,620 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Del Rosario, Rodolfo (Lakas) | 33,291 |
| Sebastian, Roberto (Reporma) | 22,433 |

### DAVAO ORIENTAL

(Comelec: As of 1 p.m.)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ching, Rolando (Lakas-NUCD) | 11,918 |
| Dayanghirang, Corazon (Rep.) | 2,803 |
| Malanyaon, Corazon (NPC) | 14,721 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Almario, Joel Mayo (Lakas) | 4,982 |
| Yu, Justina (NPC) | 3,358 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Palma Gil, Ma. Elena (Lakas) | 32,762 |
| Rabat, Benito (PMP) | 15,770 |
| Rofio, Capistrano (Reporma) | 2,664 |

### MISAMIS ORIENTAL

(Comelec: 19 of 24 towns)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Moreno, Oscar (Lakas-NUCD) | 24,416 |
| Ursal, Allan (LDP) | 10,880 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Baculio, Augusto (LDP) | 25,815 |
| Chaves, Victorico (Lakas) | 12,830 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Calingin, Antonio (LDP) | 45,801 |
| Lagbas, Danilo (Lakas-NUCD) | 35,332 |

### CAMIGUIN

(Comelec: As of May 18)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Romualdo, Pedro J. (NPC) | 23,189 |
| Adaza, Homobono I. (NP/PPC) | 13,804 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Romualdo, Pedro (Lakas) | 23,189 |
| Neri, Juan Margarito (NP/PPC) | 12,142 |

### NORTH COTABATO

(Namfrel 18 towns)

**District 1**

| | |
|---|---|
| Diaz, Rosario (Lakas-NUCD) | 12,288 |
| Talino-Santos, Emmylou (Ind.) | 38,544 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ipong, Gregorio (NPC) | 44,562 |
| Andolana, Gregorio (Lakas) | 15,714 |
| Baynosa, Freddie (Lihok) | 13,342 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Pinol, Emmanuel (Lihok) | 135,804 |
| Dequina, Anthony (NPC) | (conceded) |

### SOUTH COTABATO

(Namfrel: As of 10:51 a.m., May 18)

**District 1 (Gen. Santos City)**

| | |
|---|---|
| Antonino-Custodio, D. (NPC) | 107,749 |
| Vencer, Eliseo II (Ind.) | 49,273 |
| Rivera, Ryan (Kampi) | 45,392 |
| Lagare, Dominador (Lakas) | 34,246 |

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Pingoy, Arthur (NPC) | 45,705 |
| Hernandez, Ferdinand (Kampi) | 30,620 |
| Sueno, Ismael (LP) | 19,055 |
| Diel, Cecille (Lakas) | 18,122 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Fuentes, Daisy (NPC) | 124,589 |
| Catedral, Ernesto (Lakas) | 13,841 |

### SARANGANI

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Domino, Zorayda (NPC) | 34,864 |
| Chiongbian, Erwin (Lakas) | 46,420 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Escobar, Miguel (Lakas) | 42,194 |
| Domino, Juan (PMP) | 39,073 |

### SURIGAO DEL NORTE

(Namfrel: As of 9 a.m. May 16)

**District 2**

| | |
|---|---|
| Barbers, Robert Ace (Lakas) | 13,638 |
| Matugas, Francisco (LDP) | 10,117 |

**Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| Barbers, Robert Lyndon (L.) | 13,042 |
| Matugas, Ernesto (LDP) | 12,177 |

### ZAMBOANGA CITY

(Namfrel: 922 precincts)

**Lone District**

| | |
|---|---|
| Lobregat, Celso (LDP) | 50,425 |
| Arañez, Efren (Lakas-NUCD) | 16,362 |
| Climaco, Luis (PDP) | 18,432 |

# The WORLD

## REACTION TO ISRAEL AIR STRIKES

# World calls for Mideast peace

**JERUSALEM—The call by world leaders for an end to the spiraling violence in the Middle East went unheeded as two more Palestinians were killed by Israeli Army gunfire Saturday and a powerful explosion rocked central Jerusalem overnight.**

UN Secretary General Kofi Annan, US President George W. Bush and EU foreign policy chief Javier Solana were among those to voice concern at the escalating fighting, which saw Israel bomb Palestinian targets Friday with warplanes, the first such attacks since it occupied the territories in 1967.

That violence continued Saturday, with a Palestinian shot dead by Israeli Army gunfire at a Palestinian security post in the northern West Bank village of Silat al-Harthiah.

Fawaz Adamajj, 22, a member of the Palestinian national security forces, was shot three times in the heart, hospital sources said.

Separately, Israeli soldiers shot dead a Palestinian farmer as he was working his land in the Gaza Strip, Palestinian hospital sources said.

Taysir Awad al-Aruri, 30, was shot with one bullet to the chest and another to the neck after having done nothing to provoke the attack, the sources said.

A total of 558 have now died since the Palestinian uprising broke out late last September.

There was also a powerful explosion in a café in central Jerusalem overnight, but no one was injured, an Israeli police spokesperson said.

Twelve Palestinians were killed Friday in West Bank cities in raids which were in retaliation for an earlier suicide bombing claimed by the Islamic resistance movement Hamas.

The bomber and five Israelis were killed in the blast at a shopping center in the northern Israeli town of Netanya. Scores were wounded, some seriously.

UN Secretary General Annan described the suicide bombing as an "appalling terrorist attack" but said he was "deeply disturbed by the disproportionate Israeli response."

"While I have repeatedly made clear my utter condemnation of terrorism from whatever quarter, and do so again today, I can only regard this response as excessive and misdirected," he said in a statement.

US President George W. Bush said he was "deeply concerned" by the suicide bombing.

"It is essential that the leaders in the Middle East speak out clearly against violence. We must break the cycle of violence in order to begin meaningful discussions about any kind of political settlement," he said.

He added that his administration "will continue to work with the parties involved, reminding folks that violence will not lead to peace."

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# HK killing 1.2M chickens to curb bird flu

HONG KONG—Hong Kong authorities yesterday said they would continue the arduous task of culling more than 1.2 million chickens and other birds in the territory as the battle to contain an outbreak of bird flu intensifies.

A spokesperson for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) said "the closure of poultry stalls in 64 markets had commenced at 8 a.m. (same time in Manila)" in a territory-wide operation.

It is estimated that up to 110,000 birds will be killed over the weekend during an operation expected to last two weeks.

The cull began shortly after Environmental and Food Secretary Lily Yam announced Friday the decision to undertake a mass-slaughter.

This followed the detection of the bird flu virus at three markets on Wednesday, leading to the initial slaughter of some 6,000 birds.

More than 24,000 more chickens, geese, ducks and pigeons at seven markets were killed by late Friday under the direction of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department officers.

Chief Executive Tung Chee-hwa told local reporters that short-term aims would be to find out how and why the virus had occurred and try and ensure the swift resumption of chicken sales.

However, he added that in the long term it was imperative to "listen carefully to the views of the community with a view to finding that long-term total solution."

The government has repeatedly stated the virus in the latest outbreak is different to the H5N1 strain responsible for the 1997 outbreak in which six people died.

However, local scientists have said the new H5N1 virus strain had the potential to create a flu pandemic if allowed to persist and mutate into a virus which could cross to humans.

An associate professor at Hong Kong University, Malik Peiris said "at the moment we believe this virus does not have a high likelihood of attacking humans."

The virus strain in 1997 "was a hybridization of two parent viruses and the current strain is one of the parents" he added.

Therefore, if the current virus had been left for a longer period it could have "picked up gene segments from other viruses and might have become like the 1997 strain," which was harmful to humans.

A spokesperson for the Department of Health, Lily Chen said because the "health condition of all the poultry workers we have seen so far have been good . . . further testing is not yet required, although we will keep them closely monitored."

The government has estimated the whole operation, including compensation to vendors, would cost some $10.3 million.

However, live chicken retailers were disgruntled with the low levels of ex-gratia payments offered by the government.

A government statement showed that operators at public markets—those operated by the government—would receive a one-off special allowance of $3,851 while private market counterparts would receive $60,000.

Retailers will also receive $34 for each chicken, and between $7 and $45 for other birds.

However a vendor at a deserted chicken market in the Tai Po district ridiculed the payments as "pathetic."

"I can sell my chickens for more than $50," he said. "If the government is going to compensate us, they should do it properly."

The slaughter operation will take around two weeks. Bird sales will be banned for four weeks after the killings and business will only be permitted to return to normal after two weeks of test imports that will last until mid-July. *AFP*

**GOVERNMENT** employees put live chickens into a rubbish container prior to killing them May 19. Hong Kong continued to kill all of its 1.2 million live poultry on Saturday to halt the spread of avian bird flu. The government effort is intended to stop the flu strain from mixing with other viruses, which may harm humans. REUTERS

# Bush, Putin set June meet in Slovenia

WASHINGTON—US President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin will hold their first summit in Slovenia in June, the White House said on Friday.

The announcement of the meeting was issued near the close of a day of intense talks between Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, Bush and other US officials focusing mainly on Washington's proposals to build an anti-missile shield.

Both sides expressed satisfaction with the talks, aimed at ironing out blips in relations from the early weeks after Bush took office. And both pledged further consultations on the missile shield, viewed with suspicion in Moscow, though US Secretary of State Colin Powell said there was a limit beyond which Washington would have to take action.

White House spokesperson Ari Fleischer said Bush was looking forward to the Slovenia summit so the two countries "can build a strong, positive relationship and work together toward common goals."

Powell later told a news conference the meeting would take place on June 16 at the close of Bush's first European tour, which will also take him to Spain, Belgium. Sweden and Poland.

Both sides had juggled complicated timetables in pressing for a quick meeting ahead of talks already planned on the sidelines of the G8 summit of industrialized countries in Genoa in July.

Ivanov told the news conference he believed the dialogue between the two presidents would be "lively, complete and directed at very specific issues." Powell predicted a "very frank and direct relationship."

Friday's talks were aimed at consolidating an improvement in ties jolted earlier this year by Bush's decision to proceed with his anti-missile defense project and a spy scandal in which each side expelled four of the other's diplomats.

Both sides said they were committed to more consultation on the missile shield, which Bush says is needed to guard against missile launches by "rogue states" like Iraq or North Korea.

But Powell said consultations could not be indefinite.

"Consultations can't be a substitute for action. So we will take the necessary time to get the views of all who have an interest in this matter and factor those views into our consideration," he said.

"At the time when we think there has been enough consultation and we've reached agreements with others, then we will act on those agreements or act on what we believe are our best interests at that time."

The two ministers said talks on the missile plan between US Undersecretary of State John Bolton and Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Georgy Mamedov continued into Friday evening. *Reuters*

# Army warns Wahid not to replace officers

JAKARTA—Vice President Megawati Sukarnoputri yesterday canceled a long-planned trip to Bali and rushed back from Singapore amid unconfirmed reports that she had been in crisis talks overnight with Indonesia's top military officers.

"She canceled Bali, but may still go to Malang tomorrow (today, Sunday)," Anung Pramono, the deputy secretary general of Megawati's Indonesian Democracy Party of Struggle (PDIP) said.

Pramono refused to give a reason for the sudden cancellation of the trip to Bali, where she was to have presided over celebrations of the PDIP anniversary, but instead left thousands of her supporters disappointed.

But the Koridor online news service said the vice president had flown back to Jakarta late Friday and had been locked in talks with four-star generals until the early hours of yesterday morning.

The flurry of activity in the Indonesian capital came amid a deepening of the country's leadership crisis, in which President Abdurrahman Wahid is fighting for his political life against a parliament bent on impeaching him or persuading him to step down in Megawati's favor

It also came as newspapers Saturday headlined warnings by Indonesia's Army chief to Wahid not to try to replace senior military officers

"The president must consider the larger interests of the people, and the nation, rather than only temporary interests," The Jakarta Post quoted General Endriartono Sutarto as saying.

"The president should not ruin our commitment by replacing top military leaders" purely to achieve his own political agenda, Sutarto added.

The once all-powerful military, which kept former dictator Suharto in power for more than 30 years, has so far remained neutral in the leadership struggle, saying it will defend the Constitution and not any political figure.

Meanwhile Antara quoted a presidential spokesperson, and one of Wahid's secretaries as both denying "rumors" that the president planned to push through with top-level changes in the military leadership.

"I already asked the president about that rumor. The president said there is no such thing," the agency quoted presidential secretary Mujib Manan as saying.

Meanwhile the SCTV private television station reported that 124 retired generals, including former Armed Forces and Army chiefs, were meeting at a lunch at Army headquarters in central Jakarta Saturday at Sutarto's invitation.

The 124 were among 225 invited to the meeting. Among those attending were former armed forces chiefs Try Sutrisno and Wiranto, SCTV said.

Palace reporters meanwhile said Wahid was scheduled to record a speech with the state-owned Televisi Republik Indonesia on Saturday afternoon. The speech would be aired later Saturday night, they said. *AFP*

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**JAPANESE SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA**

Hundreds of people pack the courtyard of Sensoji temple in Tokyo as one of 100 portable shrines is carried around the city May 19. The second day of a three-day Sanja Festival drew thousands of people at the temple to view one of the summer's major summer extravaganzas.

# 8 tourists trapped in flooded cave safe

GOUMOIS, France—Rescue workers who chipped through rock and frantically pumped floodwaters from a cave on the French-Swiss border found eight Swiss tourists weak and dehydrated but alive. Then they turned to the task of getting them out.

The three women and five men—students and a teacher from a Zurich social work school—were found Friday, huddled in a dry crevice two days after heavy rains caused torrents of water that trapped them in the long, winding cave they had just begun exploring.

"They are alive. They are safe and sound," Bernard Fraudin, deputy governor of the Montbeliard region told French television. Two divers and a doctor were staying with the trapped students and brought them food, warm drinks and blankets.

Divers reached the group at midmorning by swimming through a narrow passage after more than 100 Swiss and French rescuers spent the rainy night digging into the cave from above, said Eric Zipper, a government-hired cave expert.

The eight, all amateur explorers, were located in one of two cavities known to have air pockets, and about 80 meters from the entrance to the cave. The rescuers had earlier searched the other air pocket, just 6 meters away.

Evacuating them was expected to take until early Saturday because the water level has started rising again and renewed flooding is blocking the exit route, French television station LCI reported.

Alain Gehain, head of the Franche-Comte region, said Friday night that rescuers were waiting for the water to recede before sending divers into the cave.

"If they decide to evacuate the youths, it will take a minimum of three hours, or five hours, to get them all out," said Joel Possiche, president of the French Spelunking Association.

Five of the seven pumps broke down during the rescue operation, and more rain was expected Friday night. The water in a portion of the cave must be pumped to create a passage out.

The vacationers had gone into the cave some 30 miles from the French-Swiss border Wednesday despite a warning from a local restaurant owner, French news reports said. *AP*

# South Korea seeking ban on human embryo cloning

SEOUL—South Korea's government is seeking a strict ban on human embryo cloning, provoking an angry reaction among scientists.

The state-run Life Ethics Advisory Committee on Friday announced a draft bill imposing a general ban on cloning a human embryo, which is expected to arrive in the National Assembly for approval this autumn.

"The embryo should be respected as a living thing, even if it does not enjoy the same status as a human being," said Jin Kyo-hun, chair of the special panel under the science and technology ministry.

Under the bill, most types of human embryo cloning, which scientists see necessary for booming biotechnology research, would be prohibited.

Scientists would be completely banned from using adult human and animal cells to clone an embryo for stem cell research, a potential technology to supply organs to those in need of their transplantation.

The panel said, however, it would let biotechnologists continue their research on human embryos with extra fertilized eggs left unused after infertility treatment, provided it was with the consent of the egg donors.

But the decision sparked a strong protest from local scientists who insisted that the proposed bill would obstruct research benefiting humans.

"It would be a big mistake to block the cloning of adult cells while allowing for research on 'extra' embryos," said professor Hwang Woo-seok of Seoul National University's veterinary science school.

Hwang, who successfully cloned a cow in 1998, has been nearing another triumphant research on stem cell with a human ear cell.

Facing the pros and cons on the human cloning bill, the Life Ethics Advisory Committee said it will hold public hearings before presenting the draft to the parliament. *AFP*

# *An energy plan without lifestyle-change calls*

BY CALVIN WOODWARD

WASHINGTON—Concepts like sacrifice, rationing, austerity—maybe turn down the air conditioning or even give up the SUV—are missing in President George W. Bush's plan to deal with America's energy crunch. They're missing in Democratic plans, too.

"Conservation," says Bush, "does not mean doing without."

Bush's blueprint relies on more energy supplies and a basket of enticements for greater energy efficiency. In his speech introducing it, he called conservation "the result of millions of good choices made across our land on a daily basis," and asked for no hard choices in particular.

Rozanne Weissman, speaking for the Alliance to Save Energy, was not surprised.

"Americans do not want sacrifice and deprivation," she said.

"This administration doesn't want to look like the Jimmy Carter administration—telling people to turn their thermostats down and then not getting re-elected."

Congressional Democrats have proposed a variety of steps to shelter Americans from sky-high costs. Like Bush, they don't question the idea that people can continue to have it all.

"Democrats do not advocate energy policies that will require rationing or reductions in our standard of living," says the House Democrats' energy plan.

People must be helped with energy "without having to make large and painful lifestyle changes."

Some Americans are ready to be enlisted in a national effort, if anyone should ask. "I would try to be a good citizen and work harder," said Tom Mitchell, 58, in Pasadena, California, the state hit hardest.

"The president has to get the people to conserve by putting in rationing like we did in the 1970s," Albert Furtek,' 80, said in Springfield, Massachusetts.

But leaders want no part of that decade's gloom, not to mention Carter's ill fate in the election that followed.

Vice President Dick Cheney, architect of the Bush energy plan, has protested "the impulse to begin telling Americans that we live too well and—to recall the '70s phrase—that we've got to do more with less."

He said: "The aim here is efficiency, not austerity." *AP*

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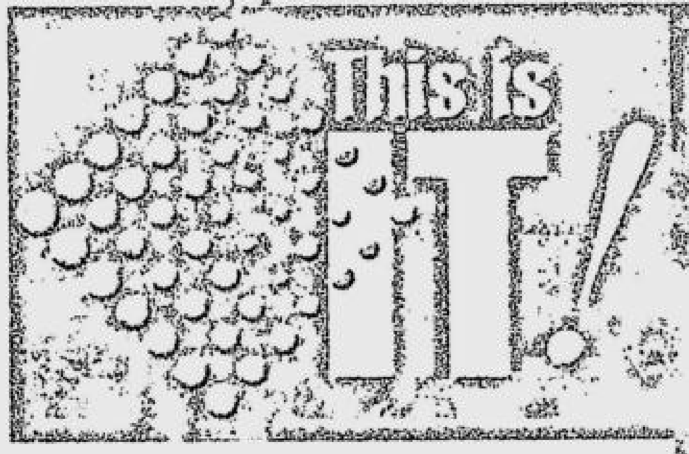

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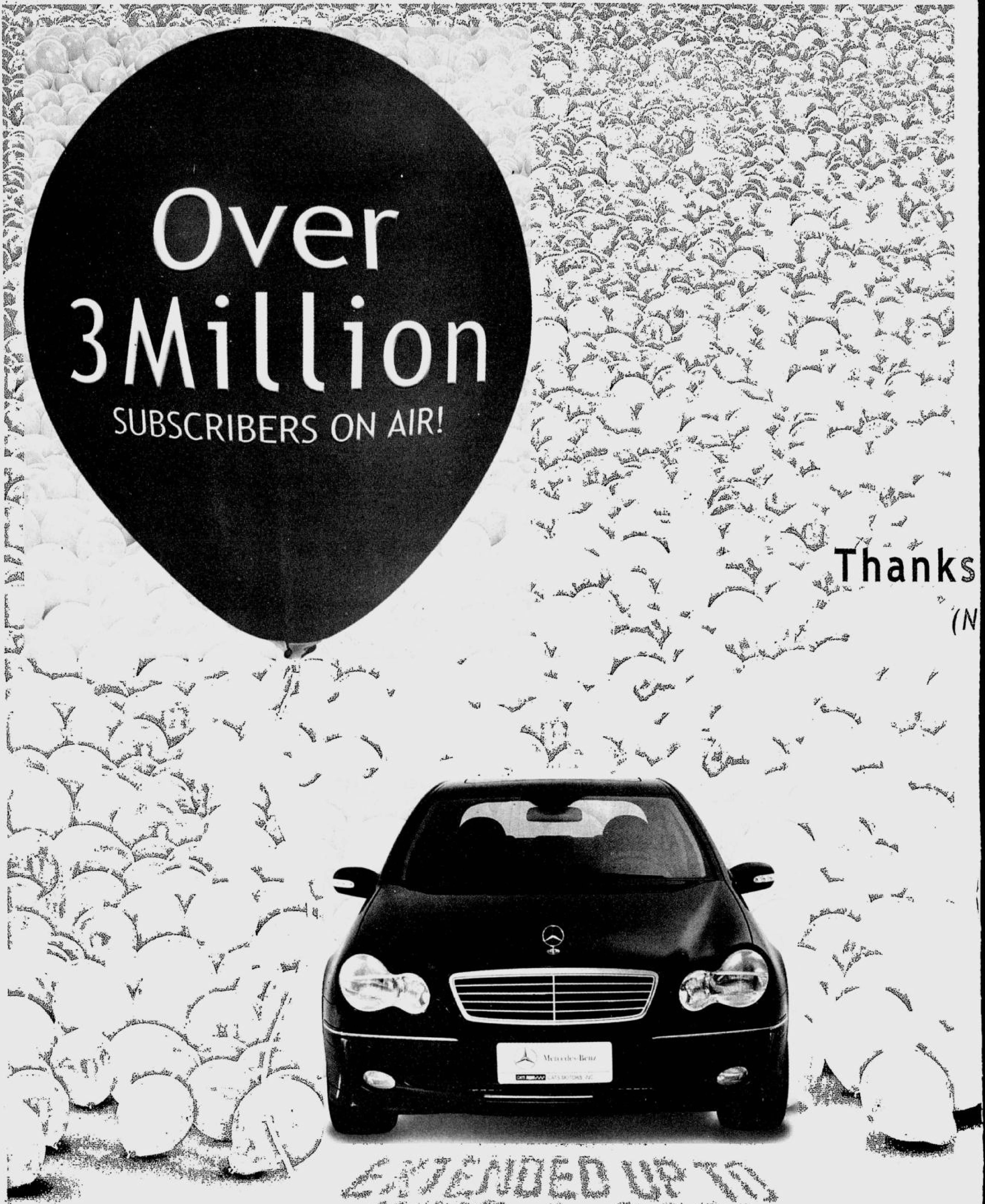
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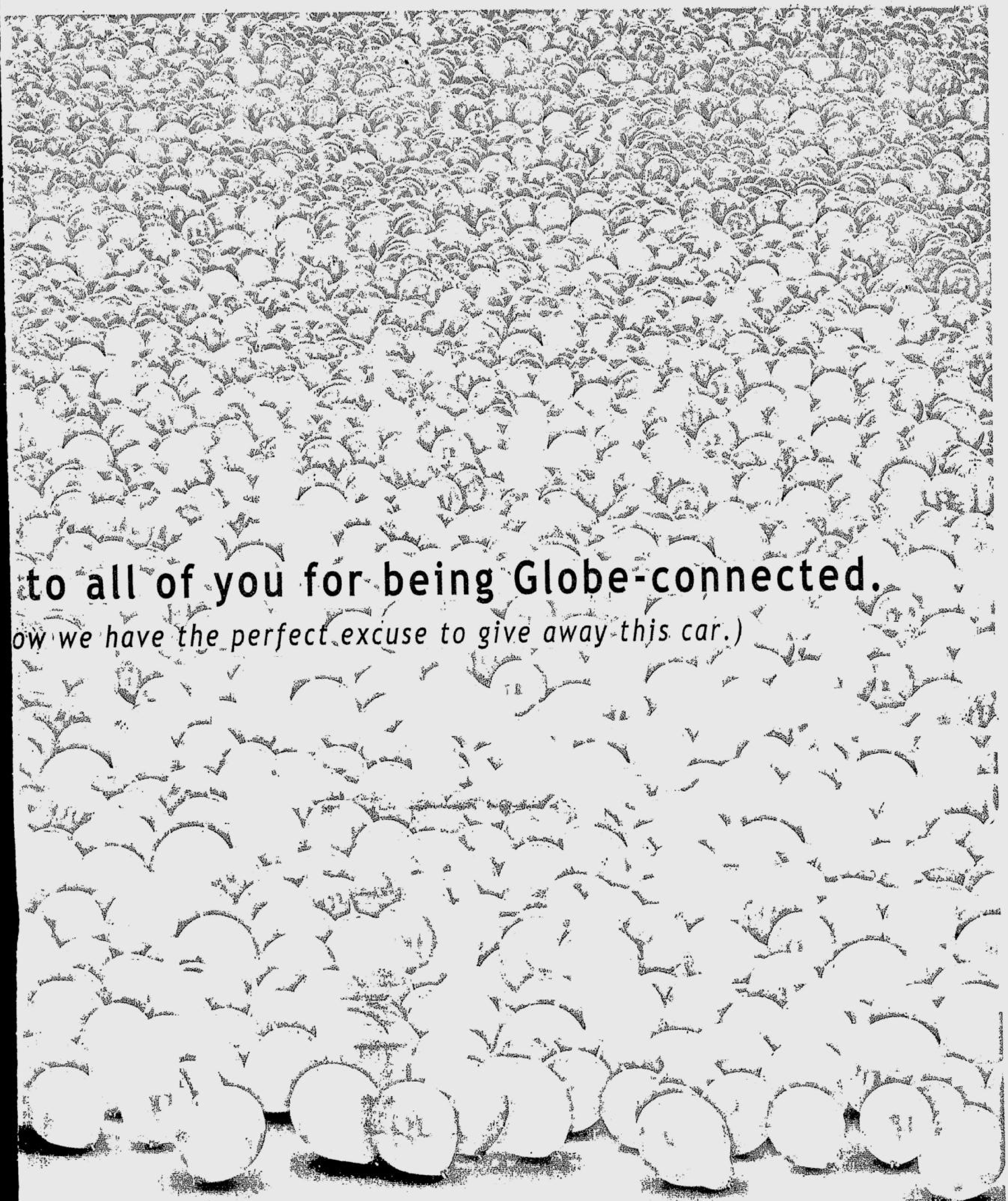
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# Across the NATION

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## ROUNDUP

### FMD monitored

BAGUIO CITY—The National Meat Inspection Commission is closely monitoring slaughterhouses and meat processing plants in the Cordillera after 29 cases of foot-and-mouth disease have been reported so far this year. Dr. Miriam Tiongan of the city veterinary office said commercial and backyard pigpens in the region have been disinfected to prevent the spread of animal diseases. Dewormers and anti-parasite medicines have also been distributed to hog and cattle raisers, she said. *Myriam Garcia and Shannaleigh Picar, PDI Northern Luzon Bureau*

### 2 killed in clash

COTABATO CITY—Two suspected bandits were killed in a clash with soldiers in a remote village in Carmen, North Cotabato, on May 9. Maj. Julieto Ando, 6th Army Infantry Division spokesperson, said members of the 39th Infantry Battalion were responding to a reported cattle rustling in Barangay Tupig, Carmen, about 6 p.m., when they clashed with the bandits. Soldiers recovered two rifles, ammunition and a hand-held radio. *Edwin O. Fernandez, PDI Mindanao Bureau*

### Gapan plebiscite reset

CABANATUAN CITY—The ratification of the cityhood of Gapan, Nueva Ecija, still hangs on the balance as the plebiscite scheduled for April 28 has been deferred by the Commission on Elections. In a resolution, the Comelec said it was resetting the plebiscite due to its proximity to the May 14 elections. It did not give a date for the rescheduled exercise. The City of Gapan was created by Republic Act 9022 that was signed by President Macapagal-Arroyo on March 5. *Anselmo Roque, PDI Central Luzon Desk*

### Storekeeper convicted

CABANATUAN CITY—A judge here sentenced to life imprisonment a store helper who stabbed and killed his employer last year. Judge Feliciano Buenaventura of the regional trial court found Jun Calandang Jr., 27, guilty of killing Martini Domini Perez and wounding her 6-year-old daughter Ivydel on April 15, 2000. Calandang admitted the crime, saying he felt aggrieved when Perez withheld his meager wages. *Anselmo Roque, PDI Central Luzon Desk*

### WEATHER FORECAST

**FORECAST:** Northern Luzon and Mindanao including Palawan will experience mostly cloudy skies with scattered rainshowers and thunderstorms. The rest of the country will be partly cloudy to at times cloudy with isolated rainshowers and thunderstorms.

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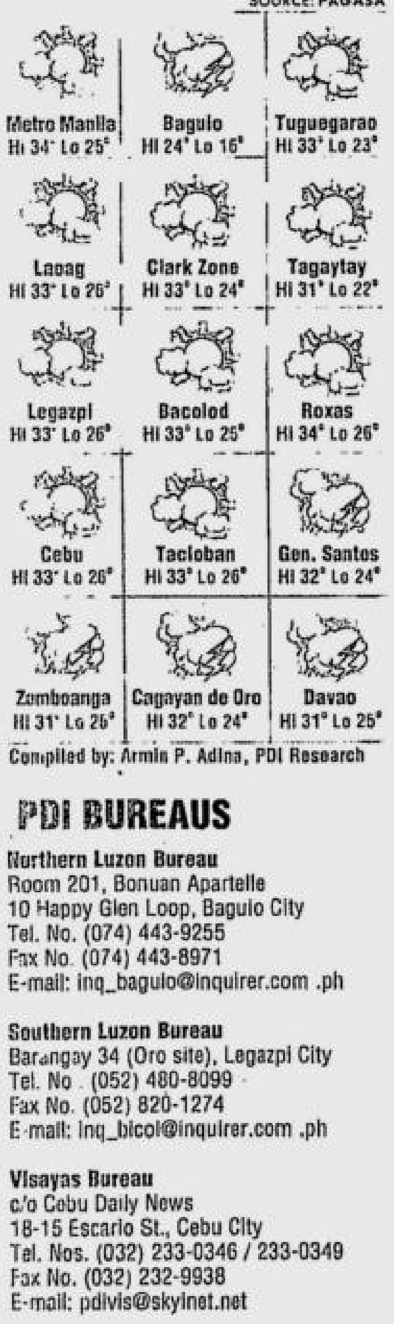

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## Marawi City rocked by grenade explosions

MARAWI CITY—Three grenades fired from M-203 rifles exploded in front of the Provincial Engineering Office Building here Friday night.

The gunmen were reportedly positioned at the back of the provincial capitol compound.

Among those wounded was a nephew of mayoral candidate Ali Solitario, who was sleeping in a tent outside the canvassing center.

Four other persons were slightly hurt.

Some 30 minutes after the explosions, Army soldiers of the 401st Infantry Brigade and bodyguards of reelectionist Mayor Omel Basman were engaged in a shootout outside the mayor's house in Baragay Saduc.

The exchange of gunfire lasted more than an hour.

Lt. Cris Anthony Morales of the 401st IB said the incident was a result of a miscommunication. He said they went to Basman's house to talk to the mayor regarding alleged threats to her life.

Morales said that when the soldiers arrived in a van, people started running inside the mayor's house. Moments later, a shootout ensued.

Two civilians were wounded in the crossfire.

Jesus Dureza, presidential assistant for regional concerns in Southeastern Mindanao, said the bombings could be the work of losing politicians in Lanao del Sur.

Dureza said the attacks might have been intended to disrupt the counting of votes and force the Commission on Elections to declare a failure of elections in the province so that another election would be held.

Such scheme is no longer new in Lanao del Sur, Dureza said, adding this was traditionally resorted to by losing candidates.

"I know that style already. That will not work with me anymore," he said.

He also said he was planning to meet all the candidates, the military, the Comelec and civil society groups in Marawi City to defuse the brewing tension among local politicians.

*Violeta M. Gloria and Jowel F. Canuday, PDI Mindanao Bureau*

## NORTHERN, CENTRAL LUZON

# Political clans back in power

BY THE PDI NORTHERN LUZON BUREAU *AND* PDI CENTRAL LUZON DESK

THIS year's elections gave returning politicians the opportunity to retake their old positions by trouncing their rivals.

Their poll victories also established the hold of their families in local politics.

### Cagayan

In Cagayan, returning congressman Manuel Mamba defeated incumbent Rep. Rodolfo Aguinaldo in the province's third district.

The fight between the two well-known Cagayan politicians was dubbed the province's "thriller" as it pitted the bitter political enemies anew.

Mamba and Aguinaldo clashed on vital issues affecting the province, like the cityhood of the capital town of Tuguegarao, their respective accomplishments, lifestyles, projects, terrorism and alleged vote buying.

Mamba's father, Francisco, is a former police chief and mayor of Tuao town until his appointment as acting governor of Cagayan in 1986.

### Ilocos Norte

In Ilocos Norte, former Rep. Roque Ablan Jr., an ally of the Marcos family, upset the reelection bid of Rep. Rodolfo Fariñas in the province's first district.

The province is still the bailiwick of the Marcoses following the reelection of Ilocos Norte Gov. Ferdinand Marcos Jr. and his sister Rep. Imee Marcos in the second district.

Ablan ended the winning streak of Fariñas who started his political career as Laoag City mayor in 1988.

Until the 2001 elections, Fariñas has been successful in his bid in the gubernatorial and congressional races.

With the Marcos family behind Ablan, the Marcoses have also wrestled control of Ilocos Norte politics from the Fariñases with the defeat of Fariñas, who lorded over the province for 20 years.

The 1998 elections saw the alliance between Gov. Marcos and Farinas until they broke up because of political and personal differences.

Marcos renewed his alliance with Ablan to dominate Ilocos Norte's politics.

Ablan, a longtime Ilocos Norte congressman since the days of the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos, is well on his way to resurrecting his old political clout after his lackluster performance in the gubernatorial race against Marcos in 1998.

However, the Marcoses failed to establish their dominance in Laoag City with the victory of reelectionist mayor Roger Fariñas, older brother of Rep. Fariñas, over Marcos' candidate Wilfred Nicolas. Mayor Fariñas is on his third and final term.

### Ilocos Sur

Outgoing Ilocos Sur Gov. Luis "Chavit" Singson tries to maintain his hold on the province's politics with the victory of his protege Vice Gov. Deogracias Victor Savellano as the new governor and the poll victory of the Singson clan.

Proclaimed winners in the May 14 polls were Singson's younger brother Jeremias as vice governor, younger sister Germelina Singson-Goulart as Vigan City councilor, son Ronald as Ilocos Sur board member and niece Eva Marie Singson-Medina as Vigan City mayor.

Singson, the acknowledged Ilocos Sur political kingpin, would not be holding any elective post in the province for the first time in nearly three decades after he opted to retire.

His estranged cousin, Eric Singson, is expected to shine politically in Chavit's absence.

Eric regained his congressional seat from his wife, outgoing Rep. Grace Singson. Grace won as city mayor of Candon.

### Pangasinan

In Pangasinan, the poll victories of former Rep. Conrado Estrella III in the sixth district congressional race and of his younger brother Robert Jr. as board member marked the return of the politically-powerful Estrella clan in the province that had been "dormant" for six years.

Conrado III defeated incumbent Rep. Ranjit Shahani, a nephew of former President Fidel Ramos.

From the 1950s to the early 1990s, the sixth district was a fiefdom of the Estrellas. But in the 1995 and 1998 elections, none of the Estrellas ran.

The 1995 elections would have been the first head-on collision between Conrado III, then the incumbent congressman, and Shahani, then vice governor, for the district's congressional seat.

No Estrella ran in 1998 as Conrado III was the provincial chair of Lapian ng Masang Pilipino and was busy with the campaign for former president Joseph Estrada.

After six years, the political clan, whose clout in the sixth district was unquestionable, is back.

Conrado III gave up his post as administrator of the National Electrification Administration in November 2000 to concentrate on the fight for the congressional seat.

Conrado III was board member from 1980 to 1987. Then 26, he was among the youngest congressmen in the province.

The 2001 elections was the first electoral contest for Conrado III's younger brother Robert Jr.

The Estrella brothers are grandsons of Conrado Estrella Sr. who was Pangasinan governor for three terms from 1954 to 1963. The elder Estrella also served as mayor of Rosales town from 1951 to 1953.

The elder Estrella, now 84, later joined the Marcos Cabinet as minister of agrarian reform. He was an assemblyman for two terms of the Batasang Pambansa, winning in 1978 and 1984.

His son the late Robert Sr., Conrado III and Robert Jr.'s father, was mayor of their hometown Rosales in the late 1960s.

### Cordillera

In Benguet, the congressional race became an exchange of seats between old rival political clans. Proclaimed congressman-elect was Samuel Dangwa (Reporma-LM), a former congressman whom losing candidate and incumbent Rep. Ronald Cosalan (Lakas-NUCD) beat in 1998.

The Dangwas and the Cosalans have long dominated the province's top political position for decades and no politician has dared to challenge the two so far.

Reelected Benguet Gov. Raul Molintas (NPC) is a scion of an old political family in the province. He inherited his political prominence from his late father, Dennis Molintas, also a former Benguet governor.

The winning duo in Benguet do not belong to the administration party but the province's leaders have been known to shift loyalty and allegiance to, as they say here, "where the strongest wind blows."

### Abra

Abra is still Valera country.

But incumbent Rep. Vicente Valera opted to gun for the gubernatorial seat, and is now the clear winner, pending the result of the May 19 special elections in Tineg town.

Valera defeated Board Member Ernesto "Dragon" Pacuño Sr., a government negotiator for the Abu Sayyaf's foreign hostages in Sulu and Basilan last year.

Valera's wife, outgoing Gov. Ma. Zita Valera, was leading in the race for mayor of the capital town of Bangued

### Mt. Province

In Mt. Province, after spending 23 years in politics, former Rep. Victor Dominguez of Lakas-NUCD conceded defeat to his nephew Roy Pilando (LDP) who won the lone congressional seat in the province.

Pilando, a former Mt. Province governor, ran for a congressional seat in 1992 and 1995 but failed to beat Dominguez.

In 1998, Pilando again ran as an independent candidate and lost to Dominguez's wife, Josephine.

But Pilando filed an electoral protest against Josephine Dominguez and demanded a recount of the ballots, citing election fraud and cheating in the 1998 elections.

A draft resolution of the House of Representatives in November last year declared Pilando as the legitimate winner of the 1998 contest but his formal proclamation as the duly-elected representative of the province was overtaken by events that culminated in the impeachment trial and ouster of former president Joseph Estrada.

### La Union

The Ortega family has retained its hold over La Union politics, with nine of its members now installed in different positions of power, the electorate also seems to be warming up to relatively new players in the political arena.

These players are the Nisces and the Dumpits.

The Comelec officially proclaimed Thursday night the candidates who won in the various electoral seats in the province.

These were Rep. Manuel Ortega (NPC) for the first district and Rep. Tomas Dumpit Sr. (NPC) for the second district.

Both are former Marcos loyalists and known to be allied with the camp of former president Joseph Estrada.

But on the home front, their families are known to be bitter political rivals.

Also proclaimed as the province's new governor was Victor Ortega (Lakas-NUCD), three-term congressman and former deputy house speaker. He is the brother of Rep. Manuel Ortega and husband of Mary Jane Ortega, reelected mayor of San Fernando City.

While the governor, who ran against 37-year-old newcomer Thomas "Butch" Dumpit Jr., strained to win 54 percent of the total number of votes cast, Mayor Ortega's was effortless at 98 percent.

Aureo Nisce was reelected vice governor (Lakas-NUCD) while his neophyte brother became one of top-ranking councilors of San Fernando City.

Two youthful sons of outgoing governor Justo Orros Jr., a first cousin of the Ortegas, also ran for the first time and won a seat each in the provincial board and the city council.

### Nueva Ecija

Members of the Joson family of Nueva Ecija, Gordon and Magsaysay families of Zambales, Aquino and Cojuangco families of Tarlac and the Roman family of Bataan have also solidified their hold on their provinces with clan members being elected to office on May 14.

In Nueva Ecija, Gov. Tomas Joson III (Balane) tightened his grip of Nueva Ecija politics not only by winning the gubernatorial race but also by pushing to victory his two brothers, sister-in-law and at least 20 town mayors and two city mayors in the province. Nueva Ecija has 28 towns and four cities.

Joson is the titular head of the Bagong Lakas ng Nueva Ecija (Balane) party. Among the members of the Joson clan who won in the May 14 elections are his brothers Eduardo IV as vice governor and Mariano Cristino as mayor of Quezon town; and sister-in-law Josefina Joson as representative of the first district of the province.

Joson's eldest son, Edward Thomas, however, is losing to neophyte Aurelio Umali (LDP) in the congressional race in the third district.

### Isabela

In Isabela, the Dys and the Albanos continue to control the province's politics.

All members of the Dy family who ran in the May 14 polls won, although their poll victories were marred with allegations of vote-shaving, massive vote buying and use of private armies.

Outgoing Rep. Faustino Dy Jr. won as Isabela governor. Cauayan Mayor Faustino Dy III won as third district congressman with 46,672 votes over broadcaster Ma. Gracia Cielo Padaca with 45,387 votes.

Dy III's brother, Caesar Dy won as Cauayan City mayor.

Another brother, Napoleon Dy, won as Alicia mayor.

The second district seat to be vacated by Dy Jr. would be occupied by Vice Gov. Edwin Uy, son of the late Roxas town Mayor Inocencio Uy.

Former House Majority Floor Leader Rodolfo Albano Jr. took the first congressional district.

Albano Jr. would return to Congress replacing his son, Rodolfo Albano III, who is the top nominee of the Nationalist People's Coalition in the party-list race. *Reports from Estanislao Caldez, Cristina Arzadon, Yolanda Fuertes, Maurice Malanes, Nathan Alcantara, Joya Santos-Doctor, Desiree Caluza, Villamor Visaya Jr., Gia Damaso-Dumo, Vincent Cabreza and Leoncio Balbin Jr., Anselmo Roque and Tonette Orejas, PDI Northern Luzon Bureau*

## Hooded men execute Negros sugar planter

BACOLOD CITY—Two hooded men killed a prominent sugar planter Thursday night outside his house in Barangay San Pablo, Manapla, 44 kilometers north of here.

Police said the suspects made Manuel Regalado, 53, kneel before firing at him as his son, Auxilliador, watched a few feet away.

According to police investigation, Manuel was having dinner with Auxilliador and Eric de la Cruz about 7:30 p.m. when two men barged in and dragged him out of the house.

Auxilliador followed the intruders as they brought his father to the back of the house.

They then made Manuel kneel and fired their M-16 rifles at him, just a few feet away from his son and some of his farm workers stood.

"Toto Manuel was pleading for his life and asking what he had done wrong before he was killed," a witness, who asked not to be identified, said.

Police said the assailants were accompanied by about 20 armed men who were posted outside the Regalado residence in Hacienda Marianne.

"There is no indication that his killing was election-related," said Senior Supt. Geary Barias, Negros Occidental police director.

Manapla Mayor Jose Jo also said Regalado was not even engaged in partisan politics. He, however, hinted that the incident might have something to do with a land conflict.

The Manapla police were still determining the identities of the assailants and the motive in the killing. *Carla P. Gomez, PDI Visayas Bureau*

# Gov sees 'sinister forces' in crashes

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY—While accepting the latest helicopter tragedies as God's will, Palawan Gov. Joel Reyes yesterday raised suspicions that "sinister forces" might have been responsible for the crash that killed his mother and her companions.

"The nagging suspicion based on the reports is difficult to ignore, considering that they (sinister forces) apparently have no respect for the value of human lives. These forces have no place in a peace-loving society like Palawan, much less the moral strength to rule over it," Reyes said in a press statement.

Thirteen persons were killed in two helicopter crashes on Friday in a mountainous portion of Sitio Mamuga, Barangay Manalo, about 60 kilometers from the city proper.

Six of the fatalities were passengers of a Bell 407 helicopter owned by Jaka Corp. The aircraft was borrowed by Reyes from Pepito Alvarez, who rented it from Jaka.

Alvarez is the brother of Palawan board member Antonio Alvarez.

The governor had used the aircraft in his regular travels to various areas of Palawan Island.

Among those killed was Lualhati Reyes, mother of the governor.

"Our hearts are bleeding and grieving over the senseless death of my mother along with my loving friends, dedicated co-workers, helicopter crew and air force men," the governor said.

The seven other fatalities were passengers of a Sikorsky rescue helicopter of the 570th Composite Tactical Wing of the Philippine Air Force.

They were identified as Capt. Albert Tablada, pilot; Lt. Riza Sinon, co-pilot; Capt. William Lim, Wescom medical officer; Capt. Vicente Castillo, Sgt. Nemesio Bagasina, A1C Cristopher Franco and A1C Mario Dato.

All died on the spot, except Bagasina who was able to jump before the helicopter exploded. Bagasina, however, died at the Adventist Hospital.

The bodies of the victims, including that of the pilot of the Bell helicopter, Capt. Rene Marucot, were airlifted yesterday to Manila in a C-130 plane.

The Bell helicopter reportedly crashed about 4:20 p.m. while on its way back to the city proper from San Vicente town in northern Palawan where its passengers reportedly monitored the canvassing of votes.

Upon learning of the incident, Western Command chief Rodolfo Rabago immediately sent Huey and Sikorsky helicopters to rescue the victims.

The rescue teams, however, could not go near the burning Bell aircraft, forcing them to leave the place. The Sikorsky, however, was still maneuvering when it appeared to hit something, residents said.

Smoke billowed from the plane as it slowly descended, they said. After several minutes, they heard an explosion.

"While these mind-boggling events can stir our passions, I call on all my *kababayans* to remain calm and sober. But at the same time, we have to be vigilant and united in our quest for the maintenance of peace in the city of Puerto Princesa and the province of Palawan," Reyes said.

Reyes said the National Bureau of Investigation, the intelligence unit of the military and other agencies were combining resources "to uncover the truth behind the incidents." ***Floreno G. Solmirano, Geraldford Ticke, Ruelle Albert Castro and Jofelle P. Tesorio, PDI Southern Luzon Bureau***

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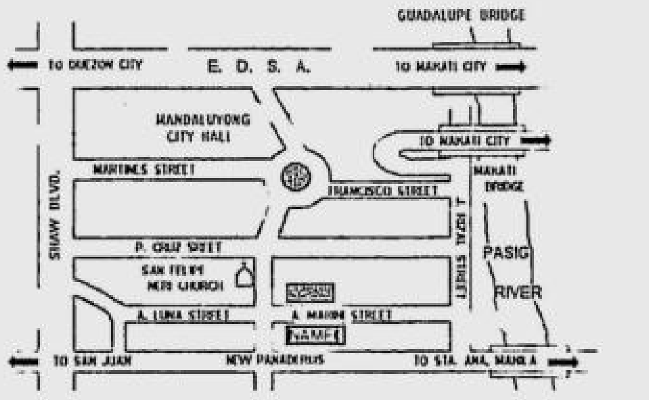

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INQUIRER Mindanao
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# How Dapitan 'killed' Rizal during the polls

**BY BERT LAPUT**
*Dapitan City*

**AT FIRST, it appeared that residents of Dapitan City were bent on making intelligent decisions based on platform, track record, competence and sincerity in public service.**

But when money started to show on Election Day on May 14, everything decent was forgotten and massive vote selling dominated the sleepy city where national hero Dr. Jose P. Rizal once demonstrated the highest idealism a Filipino could have.

"There's nothing else we can do. The people really look up at money. It's no longer vote buying but vote selling," said Jose Sangual, a resident of remote Barangay Kauswagan.

The Shrine City, as Dapitan is called because it was where Rizal spent four years in exile, has a population of more than 70,000 with registered voters reaching 40,000.

During the elections, Rep. Romeo Jalosjos, who is in jail for raping a 10-year-old girl, won in Dapitan. He was reelected representative of the first congressional district of Zamboanga del Norte, comprising Dapitan and seven other towns.

The jailed lawmaker's case is on appeal at the Supreme Court.

### 55 cents a day

The buying rate started at P600 per vote, depending on the guile of the voter. "Divide that to the three-year term of a mayor would be P200 a year or just about 55 centavos a day. Jesus, Dapitanons are outrageously cheap," said one resident.

Some say vote buying or vote selling happened because of poverty. Others say it was the triumph of evil over goodness.

"I could understand if the people in the barangays would sell their votes. They hardly eat three times a day. But for those in the city proper who are better off, I could not think of any explanation except that they lost their souls," Sangual says.

But Roger Bengua, acting Election Officer in Dapitan, said the reported "massive" vote buying was unverified although he admitted receiving such reports. He said he did not know if the Jalosjos camp was into it.

Bengua said nobody went to his office to complain and there was no apprehension made by the police. "Unless there's a formal complaint, we cannot act on the reports," he said.

### Lost to money

Reelectionist Mayor J. Cedrick O. Ruiz, the People Power Coalition candidate, said "he lost to money." His opponent, Rodol Carreon of the Jalosjos camp, had a margin of about 5,000 votes

"Nothing seems to be more important to my opponents than power," Ruiz said. "The funny thing is that a mere P600 corrupted the judgment of the Dapitanons."

What added insult to injury was that some of those he had helped turned away from him. One resident of Barangay Banonong had asked Ruiz to help him transport his carabao and lumber from Surabay, Zamboanga del Sur, to Dapitan. After receiving P600, he voted for Carreon.

Asked if he had thought of the favors he got from Ruiz, the resident answered, "Then just let Ruiz return my carabao and lumber back to Surabay."

Last year, another resident of Barangay Sinonoc asked for a coffin and burial when her mother died. But when asked whether she had thought of the assistance when she voted for another candidate, she answered: "It is just a coffin."

### A pity

"It's a pity," said a teenager who is studying in Manila. "I was told that Rizal spent the best days of his life in Dapitan. It is in my place where he taught the highest ideals of a man. It is in my place where he taught that no one can corrupt if nobody wants to be corrupted."

That is why almost all of the institutions and buildings in Dapitan are named in memory of the country's foremost hero: the Jose Rizal Memorial District Hospital, the Jose Rizal Memorial State College, the Rizal Memorial Institute and all other Rizal memorials

The teenager said he was confused because it appeared that the Dapitanons never lived up to Rizal's ideals. "It appears that decency itself has already been bought," he said.

It appears, too, that Dapitan killed Rizal on Election Day.

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ARMY CAMP SCENE

Tension in the precincts forced the tabulation of election returns to be conducted at Camp Teodulfo Bautista, headquarters of the 104th Army Infantry Brigade in Bus-Bus, Jolo, Sulu. ALEXANDER YOUNG

# Losing candidate vents ire on military

**BY ALLAN A. NAWAL**
**and Charlie C. Señase**

**REELECTIONIST Gov. Zacaria Candao (Lakas-NUCD/Islamic Party of the Philippines) is accusing the military of conniving with his rival in "massive cheating" to dislodge him from the gubernatorial race in Maguindanao.**

In a press statement, Candao said Army soldiers of the 37th Infantry Battalion under Maj. Lopito Aceres even assisted in the preparation of election returns in Shariff Aguak town on the eve of the elections so that his rival, Datu Andal Ampatuan of Kampi, would be assured of victory.

In other areas, Candao claimed the military even posted personnel in voting places to ensure that votes would be cast in favor of Ampatuan.

Brig. Gen. Roy Kyamco, commanding general of the 6th Infantry Division based in Maguindanao, challenged Candao to file charges against erring military officials and soldiers.

Kyamco said it was sad that Candao had been ventilating his complaints through the media and not in the proper forum.

Kyamco lamented that despite the military's active role in preserving an orderly and honest election, it was now being accused of playing politics and partisanship.

"(But) if we are to die to protect the sanctity of the ballot, then we will do it," he said.

IN FULL battle gear, a soldier of the Army's 401st Infantry Brigade guards the canvassing of votes in the Lanao del Sur provincial capitol in Marawi City. BOBBY TIMONERA

### Pro-MILF?

Candao said the military apparently regarded him as a supporter of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front because of his active role in the peace process between the government and the MILF.

"I strongly opposed the all-out war policy of the Estrada administration. And this is probably why the military has taken the side of Andal Ampatuan. He might have assured the military that he will help in the implementation of the military program, but Malacañang doesn't know about this," Candao said.

Kyamco said Candao's allegations that there could have been rigging of election returns in Shariff Aguak, Datu Piang and several other towns "is farthest from the truth."

"These towns are not his bailiwick so how could he expect to win there?" he said.

He also said losing candidates in the local elections in Maguindanao are the ones causing the delay in the canvassing of votes which is also heightening tension in the province.

"They already know, based on counting that they have lost but they are still contesting the municipal canvassing. This is what delays the proclamation of winners in various positions," Kyamco said.

### 'Ghost' villages

Candao also alleged that Ampatuan had used his power and family ties to defeat him.

In Talayan, for example, Candao said Mayor Udzag Midtimbang, who is related by affinity to Ampatuan, led in the preparation of election returns for at least seven "ghost" barangays.

In Datu Piang, votes for him were allegedly erased by members of the paramilitary Civilian Armed Forces Geographical Units (Cagfus) under Ampatuan.

His watchers, Candao added, were offered money by Ampatuan's group but they refused to accept the bribe.

Ampatuan, in an interview, branded the accusations of Candao as ridiculous.

"I don't know what came into his head, but it is very clear that he could not accept defeat," Ampatuan said.

He said it was very sad that Candao was even accusing the military, which, he noted, had been very neutral since the start of the election period.

But he said he would let the military speak for itself.

On the other allegations of Candao, Ampatuan denied any wrongdoing. "The election was fair," he said.

The National Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel) said it was still evaluating the results of the elections in Maguindanao.

Fr. Eliseo Mercado, Namfrel provincial chair, denied that Namfrel was planning to suggest a declaration of failure of elections in Maguindanao.

# It's all in the family

FATHERS, mothers, husbands, wives, sons. Some of them have been proclaimed while others are leading, edging their rivals by thousands of votes. They make politics a family affair.

In Agusan del Norte, reelectionist Gov. Angelica Amante had been proclaimed winner. She is now in her last term. She won over her cousin, Shiela Libarios of the People Power Coalition.

Amante's father Edelmiro, also of Lakas-NUCD, won over reelectionist Rep. Roan Libarios who had his share of national prominence during the Senate impeachment trial of ousted President Joseph Estrada.

The losing Libarios is the husband of Shiela.

Agusan del Norte's second district representative is reelectionist Leovigildo Banaag of the Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino-Pwersa ng Masa.

In the neighboring province of Agusan del Sur, the Plaza clan retains its hold of political power.

Adolph Edward Plaza (LDP-PnM) gets his first shot as governor. His older brother Rodolfo won the lone congressional seat in the province.

In the island-province of Camiguin, Pedro Romualdo (Lakas) is still governor. His son, Jordan Jesus, was also reelected House representative.

A brother, Noordin, was elected mayor of the capital town of Mambajao.

In Zamboanga City, mother-and-son Lobregats retained their posts. Maria Clara is still mayor while her son Celso is the congressman.

With a senator for a father, Robert Lyndon Barbers (Lakas-PPC) is governor of Surigao del Norte. His brother, "Spice Boy" Rep. Robert Ace, was reelected.

The Barbers were challenged by another set of brothers, Ernesto and Francisco, the former governor.

In Zamboanga del Sur, former Environment Secretary Antonio Cerilles (NPC) was reportedly lagging behind Felomina San Juan (Lakas). His wife Aurora, however, was leading in the gubernatorial race.

# Journalists start poll clean-up campaign

**BY JOWEL F. CANUDAY**
*Davao City*

**MEDIA practitioners are initiating a cleanup of election posters, banners, streamers and bill boards as a way of challenging the candidates to start cleaning up the mess they left during the campaign.**

Carrying broomsticks, scrubs, pails and a ladder, about 15 journalists from the Mindanao Institute of Journalism (Minjourn) trooped to the sidewalks of the Kapitan Tomas Monteverde Sr. Central Elementary School along Ponciano Reyes Street in Davao City, where they started the cleanup.

Banners, streamers, posters and buntings practically covered the entire façade of the school gates and walls along the street.

Even trunks of *acacia* trees near the gates of the school were not spared.

The Ponciano Bangoy fire station also sent a firetruck to help the journalists.

Amy Bandiola-Cabusao, a director in the Minjourn board and head of the clean-up campaign, said the activity was initiated as a way of challenging the politicians to fulfill their responsibilities and commitment in cleaning up their mess.

The campaign, she said, would send a stronger message than merely criticizing politicians through print and broadcast media for not fulfilling their tasks in bringing down their posters and other campaign materials.

Cabusao noted that only a few politicians and their supporters were making good of their promise of removing their campaign materials.

Another journalist participated on the cleanup as her "birthday gift" to the community and as a challenge to everyone to do their share in keeping the city and the country tidy again.

# Poor turn streamers into diapers

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campaign materials that would otherwise have been just trash.

The day after the elections, while most people were glued to their television or radio sets for the latest poll tally, the poor had been scouring Lucena's streets for campaign materials that they could recycle.

The INQUIRER chanced upon Mang Budoy, a scavenger in his 60s, while he was patiently pulling out a nail from a campaign poster on a wooden electric post.

"This could be used in the renovation of my shanty," Mang Budoy said, referring to the nails.

With Mang Budoy were his two adopted boys, both aged 12, who were pulling down the yellow cloth campaign streamer of reelectionist Quezon Gov. Wifredo Enverga. The boys held a long bamboo pole with a sharp knife attached at the end to cut the rope that would unfasten the streamers.

"We could use the cloth as blankets to warm us from the cold at night, or who knows, (my wife) could sew them together into a curtain." Mang Budoy said.

"But why did they have to put holes in them?" he asked, pointing out that the holes make his wife's job harder.

Mang Budoy makes a living scavenging for scraps that he sells in the neighborhood junkyard. He said he started collecting recyclable campaign paraphernalia since he was a small boy in his hometown in the Bondoc Peninsula.

"I used to help my father. But our only target then was the campaign posters made of tin sheets. We used it to cover our leaking roof. But it seems that the candidates no longer use this material. For sure, it is now expensive that's why the politicians no longer use it," he said.

The same innovative livelihood was being replicated in other parts of this city.

If Mang Budoy was after the wooden frames, Imelda, a woman in her mid-30s, was busy in one street corner carefully detaching the piece of cloth attached to the frames.

## Pillowcases, diapers

"I have always targeted these campaign materials for use as pillowcases. And if I would be lucky enough to salvage one long streamer, the one they hang across the street, it could be used as a blanket for my children," Imelda said, deeply engrossed in her work.

Her husband was about three blocks away using an improvised ladder to reach a campaign poster.

Imelda said she would soak the campaign material in a mixture of kerosene and soap to remove the paint and loosen the cloth.

"If the cloth material is good and of soft quality, a poor mother with a baby could also use it as diapers. She just has to sew the edges," Imelda suggested.

When asked if she could find any use for the posters made of paper, she shook her head.

And what the government should do is immediately enact a law that would prohibit its use in the next election, she said.

"They should make laws that would compel all the candidates to just use cloth as campaign materials and disallow the use of paper. Just look around us, it's only garbage—with no use to anyone. And you even have to scrub the walls to remove them," she said.

She said she had to salvage the recyclable materials the day after elections because nothing would be left if they postponed it for the next day.

"For sure, other poor people would get it ahead of us. This was what I experienced during the 1998 elections," she said.

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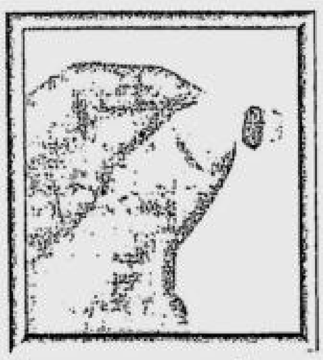

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# How Mindanao voted

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Like Macadato, voters in all the 91 precincts in the municipality voted in favor of the People Power Coalition.

But an anti-PPC vote was noted in areas dominated by settlers.

In Barangay Tunggol in Pagagawan, Maguindanao, a non-Moro resident who requested anonymity said they voted against the PPC because they feared an eventual resurgence of the secessionist Moro Islamic Liberation Front under a strong Macapagal administration.

"Most of us decided to vote for the PnM," he said.

That fear was apparent in the results of the senatorial race in Aleosan, North Cotabato, which is also thickly populated by settlers.

Except for reelectionist Juan Flavier, who got 6,164 votes in official returns, the PPC received a heavy beating.

Not even the magic of "megastar" Sharon Cuneta worked for her husband Francis Pangilinan, who only got 717 votes from all 19 barangays of Aleosan. And Vilma Santos' charisma did now draw the winning numbers for her husband Ralph Recto, who only got 765 votes as against the 2,308 of lesser known PnM candidate Consuelo "Jamby" Madrigal.

An official of the Commission on Elections attributed Flavier's apparent lead to the fact that the residents of Aleosan considered him a good senator.

Even local candidates viewed as tough on the MILF were leading in Aleosan.

Incumbent Gov. Emmanuel Piñol won over Rep. Anthony Dequiña in the gubernatorial race.

Piñol had supported Estrada's all-out war policy against the MILF. On the other hand, Dequiña was very vocal about the need to stop the military assaults on the MILF and to begin peace negotiations.

### 'Worst event

The strong anti-Estrada sentiment among Muslims started when he declared an all-out war against the MILF last year.

In Pagalungan alone, thousands of people were forced to live in evacuation centers as the military, on Estrada's orders, combed their villages for MILF forces.

"That was the worst event in our lives. We did not even experience that during the time of President (Ferdinand) Marcos," Guialal said.

She said Muslims in Pagalungan apparently took advantage of the elections "to get back at the people responsible for our displacement."

In Marawi City, where most of those dislocated by the war in Lanao del Sur had sought refuge, the PnM candidates performed dismally.

Except for Tamano and Rasul, who topped the list, PnM candidates were nowhere in the "Magic 13."

It was independent candidate Camilo Sabio who took the 13th spot in the Marawi election results.

Edgar Ramirez, executive director of the Center for Policy Advocacy and Strategic Studies of the Notre Dame University in Cotabato City, said Estrada's all-out war policy affected the way people voted in the troubled areas of North Cotabato and Maguindanao.

"In Christian areas, the anti-Muslim sentiment is very strong, which could explain why the PPC candidates (fared badly there). In Muslim areas, particularly those directly affected by the war, the reverse happened," Ramirez said.

"Of course, there are Muslims who also voted for the PnM, but they were not directly affected by the war," he added.

### Approval

Orig said the strong support shown by Mindanao voters for the PnM was a vote of approval for the policies, including the all-out war against the MILF, of the Estrada administration.

"Mindanao voters were merely translating their support for that policy into votes in this elections," Orig said.

But he said this voting trend should send strong signals to the Macapagal administration to pay greater attention to development and poverty alleviation programs in Mindanao, if it wanted the ongoing peace process with the MILF to succeed.

Fr. Edmundo Martinez, Namfrel-Davao City chair and president of the Jesuit-run Ateneo de Davao University, said the government should find the means to address the root causes of the armed conflict in Mindanao.

"The votes could be an indication of the people's disagreement with the government policy of appeasement on the Moro problem. They would (prefer) that the government have a strong position on the (issue)," Martinez said.

He said the government should not be confident *vis a vis* the positive developments in the peace process with the MILF.

Martinez said a big factor in the armed conflict was still poverty, which the government should swiftly address. He said it should also understand the root causes of the reported vote buying, especially in the poor areas of the island.

He said the poor could not wait for the government's promise of jobs and a better life through its medium- or long-term programs.

According to Martinez, the poor in Mindanao can hardly find food for their next meal, making it easy for them to accept the P500 offered by politicians.

"They need to eat so they have to take the money in exchange for their votes," he said.

Martinez also cited the low level of education among Mindanao residents as a reason why the pro-war sentiment appeared to be stronger than the peace approach in solving the Moro rebellion.

This is where civil society should come in, with its role of strengthening and bringing peace education to the grass roots, he said. ***With a report from Jowel F. Canuday, PDI Mindanao Bureau***

# PPC takes evidence to Comelec

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stand in court," Limcaoco said.

In its petition, the PPC asked the Comelec to declare a failure of elections in Northern Samar, and to suspend the canvassing of votes, nullify the proclamation of the winners, and hold special polls there.

The canvassing in Northern Samar has been suspended since Thursday night, after Ramon Basas, schools division superintendent in Leyte, was removed as a member of the board of canvassers.

Northern Samar election officer Andrew Bido also stopped the canvassing after receiving a copy of the petition of two PPC-Lakas candidates—Northern Samar reelectionist Gov. Madeleine Ong and her brother-in-law Jose Ong, who is running for the second district congressional seat—asking the Comelec to declare a failure of elections in the province because of alleged cheating by the opposition.

More questionable election returns surfaced yesterday.

In Davao City, the National Citizens' Movement for Free Elections (Namfrel) discovered discrepancies in the total number of votes computed by the Board of Election Inspectors (BEI) as against the actual number of votes indicated in the tally sheets of the election returns submitted to it.

Namfrel-Manila chair Rolando Ingaran said certificates of election returns from about 400 precincts, more or less 10 percent of the 4,897 precincts in the capital, had errors or appeared to have been manipulated.

On Friday, the PPC showed reporters election returns from Northern Samar that were supposedly substituted and tampered with to favor PnM candidates.

Limcaoco said yesterday that the PPC had also uncovered a similar caper in Cavite, and that gubernatorial candidate Bong Revilla was set to make the evidence public.

He said the PPC in Naga City, a supposed bailiwick of the coalition, reported an alleged attempt by a local treasurer to credit 3,000 votes in favor of PnM senatorial candidate Juan Ponce Enrile.

While the PnM earlier said it had monitored 36 cases of "*bawas-bawas* (vote shaving)" in Metro Manila precincts, it has yet to bring the matter to the Comelec.

Senate President Aquilino Pimentel Jr. yesterday urged candidates who think they were cheated in the last elections to secure canvass reports from election officials for comparison with the national canvass being conducted by the poll body.

"If you claim *dagdag-bawas* (vote padding and shaving), you should have solid proof with you. It's a very difficult and complicated task. Believe me, because I went through it all," said Pimentel, a victim of the practice in the 1995 senatorial elections.

Pimentel is also proposing the revival of the controversial national ID system as an effective measure toward eliminating electoral fraud.

"Since we are in a democracy, it's about time we had a system of identification not only for election purposes but also for other kinds of transactions," he said in a statement.

### Handwriting

Limcaoco yesterday requested National Bureau of Investigation Director Reynaldo Wycoco to investigate the handwriting on a number of election returns from Northern Samar.

Two Manila-based NBI lawyers were expected to arrive in Catarman, Northern Samar, last night on board a chartered plane.

Jose Falcotelo, PPC legal counsel in the province, said the NBI lawyers would help determine whether one or two persons prepared the documents. Ideally, he said, the BEI chair should be the only one to prepare these.

Sought for comment, PnM spokesperson Jesus Crispin Remulla said he welcomed the investigation.

"(But) before they accuse us of (manipulating the elections returns based on this), they should get handwriting experts. Sometimes the handwriting of a group of people can be similar if they study in the same school, like the Assumption or Ateneo," he said.

He claimed that there was no need for the opposition to cheat in Northern Samar, saying: "Samar is Puwersa country because it is a depressed and rural area."

Remulla also said his camp had expected Madeleine Ong to lose heavily to ex-Rep. Raul Daza (Liberal Party).

Daza was part of Joseph Estrada's defense team at his impeachment trial, and, according to Remulla, "the people voted for him because he is the lawyer of Erap."

"(The PPC) should make (its) candidates, Ong and Revilla, concede because they lost in the elections," Remulla said.

The PnM yesterday said it had received reports of irregularities in the canvassing of votes in Surigao del Norte.

Remulla cited reports from reelectionist Gov. Francisco Matugas, who alleged that no canvassing took place because the ballot boxes containing election returns were tampered with before these could be brought to the Comelec headquarters in Surigao City.

In a statement, lawyer Rolando de la Cuesta vehemently denied involvement in electoral fraud in Mindanao in favor of the PnM, as earlier alleged by Limcaoco.

"These allegations are nothing but blatant lies done with malice and bad faith, and for no other purpose than to destroy my name, honor and dignity," De la Cuesta said, adding:

"I do not belong to the opposition. I have not set foot in Mindanao for the past several years and could not therefore be involved in any '*bawas-bawas* operation' in the region . . During the electoral campaign period, I was in Europe with my wife and grandchildren and arrived in the Philippines a few days before election day. My only participation in the electoral process was to exercise my right of suffrage, as in fact I voted for some PPC candidates. It is tragic that I am being maligned in return."

### Ballot stuffing

Governor Ong and Jose Ong claimed in their petition that alleged "ballot stuffing" and tampering with and switching of election returns occurred during the blackout that hit many parts of the province.

Northern Samar reelectionist Rep. Harlin Abayon (LP) denied that his party committed fraud.

"Why point at us? We did not have the means to initiate trouble, much more to commit fraud," he said over Catarman radio station dySM on Friday.

"They are just losing in the elections. They turned against us so they can have somebody to blame," he added.

But Falcotelo said: "We have a strong case here."

According to the PPC petition filed before the Comelec, some election returns had uniform handwriting even if these came from various precincts in different municipalities.

It said the election returns also indicated a standard pattern of votes entered in the different precincts—unusually high votes for the opposition and low votes for the petitioners and their candidates.

Many election returns did not contain necessary data, such as the number of registered votes and the number of voters who cast their ballots, the petition said.

Some returns, it said, showed different serial numbers for the local and national levels even if these came from the same precinct.

Jesuit priest Edmundo Martinez, Namfrel-Davao City chair and president of the Ateneo de Davao University, noted that the total number of votes for some candidates in the senatorial and local posts were either recorded lower or higher than what were actually reflected in the tally sheets.

The teachers tallied each vote as one stick in the tally sheet. But Martinez said that in several election returns, a group of four sticks was counted as five.

He said careful examination was required as there were hundreds of sticks to count, especially for leading candidates.

"I don't know if these cases were done intentionally or were honest mistakes. But we will have to further analyze the election returns later," Martinez said.

He said Namfrel had tapped a group of statisticians to analyze each of the election returns.

Still in Davao City, Bayan Muna poll watchers claimed that the practice of dagdag-bawas was continuing despite the promise made by members of the Board of Canvasser to look into the matter.

Dr. Shalom Lorenzana, the group's coordinator, said a canvasser at Unit 12 in the city entered "0" on votes cast for Bayan Muna instead of 10, as reflected in one of the election returns from District 1.

He said Bayan Muna's 10 votes were instead listed for Bagong Bayani, which is listed in a column above the former.

### Inaccuracies

Namfrel-Manila's Ingaran said he would make a summary of the uncounted returns stored in more than 10 boxes at the Namfrel tabulation center in the College of St. Benilde on Taft Avenue.

He told reporters that the grossest inaccuracy Namfrel volunteers had uncovered was in clustered precincts 3213A and 3213A-1 at the Mariano Marcos School in District 6, where 231 cast their votes even if there were only 147 registered voters.

The results from the precincts may be important to the leading congressional candidates, Mark Jimenez and Pablo Ocampo III, whose vote margins are only about 500.

In precinct 265A-1, votes recorded for PPC senatorial candidate Francis Pangilinan totalled 109 even if there were actually only 79. In precinct 2815A-1, PPC senatorial candidate Ernesto Herrera lost three votes.

In precinct 18476A-1, the 25 and 11 votes obtained by the party-list groups Mamamayan Ayaw sa Droga and Bayan Muna, respectively, were not recorded. ***With reports from Dona Pazzibugan and Jerome Aning in Manila; Jowel F. Canuday, PDI Mindanao Bureau***

# Gloria impresses . . .

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Weymouth has interviewed many heads of state in the past, among them Chinese President Jiang Zemin and Egypt's Hosni Mubarak, and covered many hot spots like Israel and Lebanon as well as small countries like Yemen.

She went to these places to bring home stories that American readers needed to know, she said. Shortly before she flew to Manila, she interviewed Indonesian President Abdurrahman Wahid.

The similarities between Ms Macapagal and US President George W. Bush's backgrounds have not escaped Weymouth.

Both, she noted, took their oath almost simultaneously and were children of former presidents. "Dubya" is older than Gloria by nine months.

And both leaders succeeded presidents who had suffered the humiliation of impeachment proceedings.

While Weymouth is a well-known journalist in her own right, many who meet her cannot ignore the fact that she has a mother who has become an icon in journalism. When asked what it is like to be Katharine Graham's daughter, Weymouth gave a crisp and simple answer "It's fine." She smiled but did not elaborate.

Katharine Graham, who is turning 84 in June, won the Pulitzer for "Personal History," her best-selling and widely acclaimed memoirs published in 1998.

Graham steered the Washington Post through the crisis of the Pentagon papers and Watergate during the Nixon presidency in the 1970s.

Weymouth was already a journalist at that time. She spoke about her mother's feat with pride and amazement.

### Close resemblance

Weymouth, who is nicknamed Lally, bears a close resemblance to her mother. In Graham's book, Lally is shown dancing with her father during her coming-out party.

She has three brothers, Donald, William and Stephen. Donald is chair and chief executive officer of The Washington Post Company and publisher of The Washington Post.

Weymouth's father Philip, publisher of the Washington Post from 1946 until his death in 1963, was assigned to the Philippines under the Allied Air Forces during World War II. Weymouth was a toddler at the time.

### Journalist's dream

The story on the Watergate scandal and the role of Washington Post journalists Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein was made into the movie "All the President's Men," starring Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman.

Wrote Graham of that tumultuous chapter in US history and the "transforming event in the life of Washington Post": "As a story, Watergate was in many ways a journalist's dream—although it didn't seem that way in those first months when we were so alone. But the story had all the ingredients for major drama: suspense, embattled people on both sides, right and wrong, law and order, good and bad.

"Watergate—that is, all of the many illegal and improper acts that were included under that rubric—was a political scandal unlike any other. Its sheer magnitude and reach put it on a scale altogether different from past political scandals, in part because of the unparalleled involvement of so many men so close to the president and because of the large amounts of money raised, stashed, and spent in covert and illegal ways. This was indeed a new kind of corruption in government."

### Awkward child

Katharine Graham has been described as "the awkward child who grew up amid material wealth and emotional isolation; the young bride who watched her brilliant charismatic husband— a confidant to John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson— plunge into the mental illness that would culminate in his suicide . . .the widow who shook off her grief and insecurity to take on a president and a pressman's union as she entered the profane boys' club of the newspaper business."

She has often been credited with courage for backing her editors during the Watergate scandal.

"The truth," she said, "is that I never felt there was much choice. Courage applies when one has a choice. With Watergate, there was never one major decisive moment when I, or anyone, could have suggested that we stop reporting the story...Once I found myself in the deepest water in the middle of the current, there was no going back."

### No book plans

Weymouth's interview with President Macapagal will be published in the Washington Post and in Newsweek.

When asked if she was soon going to write a book of her own on her experiences as a journalist, Weymouth shook her head.

Despite her tight schedule and falling sick for a day during her short visit here, Weymouth found time to have dinner with a handful of local print and broadcast journalists before she flew back to the US.

She even agreed to a stand-up "ambush" interview in the hotel lobby with the INQUIRER.

"I hope she'll do a great job," she said of President Macapagal, giving a knowing wink before she rushed back to her hotel room.

# 8 PPC bets surge ahead in Comelec tally

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By 7:32 p.m., Enrile had fallen to 15th place.

Namfrel chair Jose Concepcion said the Comelec tally should be the same as the results obtained by the poll watchdog's quick count, since both the Comelec and Namfrel were looking at the same election documents.

Namfrel secretary general Guillermo Luz said the quick count may be extended for one more week so that the group can meet its target of counting votes from 90 percent of the total precincts.

De Castro passed the 9-million vote mark by early evening, and strengthened his leadership by enjoying a commanding lead of more than 2 million votes over second placer Flavier.

De Castro led in 11 of 16 regions, though Flavier was still the topnotcher in the Cordillera Autonomous Region and was next only to De Castro in the NCR and Regions 1 and 3.

With votes from 25 percent of the precincts tallied, Mamamayan Ayaw sa Droga (MAD) of movie actor Richard Gomez was almost sure of a party-list seat in Congress with 443,468 votes.

Satur Ocampo's leftist organization Bayan Muna remained second with 398,064 votes; followed by Apec with 159,094 votes; VFP with 117,414 votes; and Akbayan with 93,753 votes.

Also in the top 10 were Buhay with 84,562 votes; Cibac, 81,226 votes; Butil, 70,761 votes; NPC, 69,681 votes; and Lakas-NUCD-UM, 66,979 votes.

The party-list group that will get at least 2 percent of the total party-list votes will be entitled to one seat in Congress.

### 9 is better

Commenting on the closely watched senatorial race, former President Fidel Ramos predicted eight PPC winners are good enough but nine would be better for the Macapagal administration.

Ramos, chair emeritus of the ruling Lakas-NUCD, said the government would need at least nine new pro-administration senators to get a majority in the 24-seat Senate. Four incumbent senators already belong to the ruling coalition.

"You have three independents who will most likely form the Senate in the 12th Congress, and that will be where the swing votes will be," Ramos told reporters at a fund-raising event in Silang, Cavite.

He said that "8-4-1 already translates to 12 seats for the administration in the Senate."

"So eight is probably good enough but nine will be more comfortable because nine plus four equals 13 which is somebody's karmic number," Ramos quipped, alluding to ousted President Joseph Estrada, who considers 13 his unlucky number.

### Mixed bag

Ramos also urged an investigation of alleged cheating in Mindanao and called on the government to punish the perpetrators, including those from the Comelec.

"Those responsible for the anomalies must be punished not only by removal from office but also imprisonment—of course, after due process," he said.

"The Comelec is a mixed bag of characters considering the origins of their appointments. But without mentioning names, it appears that a certain lady commissioner is also the subject of so many complaints here in the Southern Tagalog region," he said, referring to the lone female commissioner, Luzviminda Tancangco.

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A FOUR-MINUTE power outage hit the Namfrel quick count center at La Salle, Greenhills, about 3:45 p.m. yesterday, rendering all its computers temporarily useless.

Namfrel secretary general Guillermo Luz said there was no cause for alarm as the blackout was caused by the tripping of Meralco lines at a Meralco substation in Mandaluyong City.

He assured reporters that the outage had not affected the figures in the Namfrel tally.

"We immediately set up our generator and our Uninterrupted Power System (UPS) in our servers so that the release of the results of election returns will not be affected at all," Luz told journalists.

Tomorrow, Namfrel will vacate the gymnasium at La Salle and move to a lower floor to make room for a thanksgiving mass in appreciation of the efforts of Namfrel volunteers for covering a record 54 percent of the precincts in five days of counting. *Cynthia Balana*

ERNIE SARMIENTO

**HAZEL** Madamba grimaces in pain after crossing the finish line first in the 3,000M run during the National Track and Field Open yesterday.

## DELICANO MISSES MARK

# Aing nets 3rd track gold

By June Navarro

JOEBERT Delicano went a thumb short of shattering a 65-year-old Philippine record even as sprinter Jimar Aing scooped his third gold medal yesterday in the 2001 Milo Invitational Track and Field Championships at the Rizal Memorial Track Oval.

The 21-year-old Delicano registered 7.62 meters in his fourth attempt in the men's long jump, three centimeters off the mark immortalized by Nino Ramirez in May, 1936 also in Manila.

Delicano, a DLSU-Dasmariñas student who also bagged the gold in men's triple jump last Friday, said he could have broken the record were it not for a recurring hamstring injury that has been bothering him.

It was Aing who basked in glory. The Basilan native fast shaping up as the country's premiere sprinter secured his third gold in the four-day event backed by the Philippine Sports Commission and Pagcor.

Aing, 23, crossed the tape in the 200-meter dash in 21.60 seconds. The second class Navyman also took the gold in the century dash on Thursday and anchored the victorious 4x100-meter relay team past Philippine Air Force in 41.6 seconds.

Ernie Candelario of Air Force trailed Aing with 21.9 seconds followed by DLSU-Dasmariñas' Ronnie Marfil, who clocked 22.8 seconds.

Navy's victory also gave decathlete Fidel Gallenero his second gold medal as he compiled 6,964 points in men's decathlon for the gold.

Gallenero erased his own record of 6,789 points set during the Brunei Southeast Asian Games in 1999.

In other fronts, Air Force's Sean Guevara posted 2.06 meters in the men's high jump while strongman Arniel Ferrera of Negros Occidental heaved 51.49 meters in the men's hammer throw en route to the gold.

John Lozada scored his second gold in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:50.22. He defeated Rodrigo Tanuan of the Philippine Army (1:56.84) and Alley Quisay of Virgen Milagrosa University (1:57.4).

# Que, Pagunsan dispute crown at Alabang

By Jong Arcano

ANGELO Que shrugged off the gutsy challenge of Iggy Clavecilla with a better putting stroke yesterday to set up a title showdown with Juvic Pagunsan in the Philippine amateur golf championship at the Alabang Country Club course.

Que, earning his third straight trip to the finals in what could be his farewell appearance here, won just five holes against a steady player 37 years his senior.

But those were enough to give the defending champion a 2 and 1 semifinal victory.

Clavecilla's ambitious bid to reach the finals at 53 got stalled when he three-putted thrice and missed several birdie opportunities.

Opposing Que is national teammate Juvic Pagunsan, who beat Solomon Gines, 4 and 3.

Que and Pagunsan will contest the title and the P15,000 worth of gift certificates that go with it via a 36-hole showdown starting at 7 a.m.

Pagunsan is seeking his second major crown four months after winning the DHL Open at his Canlubang home course.

"Win or lose, I will really turn pro next year. I feel that winning the title will help me get the confidence for the pro ranks," said Que, the power-hitting frontliner of the Southwoods team.

Que took the first hole when Clavecilla three-putted and then birdied the next to go two up. He yielded the seventh with a bogey only to move three ahead by taking the eighth and ninth on three-putt miscues by Clavecilla.

Clavecilla managed to get the 13th and 15th to keep his chances but Que wrapped up the match by matching his regulation par on the 16th.

Pagunsan buried his opponent with an early blitzkrieg touched off by an eagle on the third hole. He went on to win five consecutive holes with a three-under effort in medal play.

Gines finally won a hole on the ninth after a bad drive by Pagunsan and a missed three-foot putt for par.

Que is eyeing his fourth win in five big events this year, including the PAL Interclub low medal honors and two legs of the ongoing Titleist-Footjoy national amateur circuit.

# Abadia, Alpuerto lead TMS entries

ADELO Abadia and Vida Lina Esperanza Alpuerto will lead the country's top netters in the P120,000 TMS Shipping Agency National Open Tennis Championships which will kick off at 8 a.m. tomorrow at the Rizal Memorial Tennis Center.

Abadia, a former RP Davis Cupper, is eyeing his third straight Open title after Mandaue and Bacolod.

Alpuerto won the Enervon Cup 18-under title last week.

Also vying for the P20,000 top purse in the men's singles division are second seed Johnny Arcilla, No. 3 Rolando Ruel Jr., No. 4 Jessie Lapore, No. 5 Pio Tolentino, No. 6 Joseph Victorino, No. 7 Michael Mora III and No. 8 Niño Salvador.

Winners in this Philta-sanctioned tournament organized by national coach Johnny Jose will earn 600 points.

# Aguilar slight pick in motocross

THE COUNTRY'S top motocross riders get a taste of Visayan hospitality when the National Motocross Superseries 2001: A Race of Guimaras and WG&A reels off today at the Guimaras Sports Complex in Jordan, Guimaras Island.

Defending champion Glen Aguilar, Ernie Leongson and Jovy Saulog display their wares in the Pro-Open category, centerpiece event of this annual series organized by Hartebeest Entertainment Corp. and sponsored by WG&A Superferry, Bench, PLDT, Norkis-Yamaha, Agua Vida, Access Plus, Dreambikes Superstore, Transtainer System and Smart ZED.

Aguilar is slightly favored in both the Pro Open and Pro 125 categories, although Leongson and Saulog are expected to put up a good fight in this event held in cooperation with MAD and Kids Foundation and supported locally by Real Adventure, Department of Tourism Guimaras, FM Cruz and Caltex.

# ₱2M staked at Santa Ana today

THREE major stakes races will be seen today by millions of racing fans at the Santa Ana Park, with P2 million at stake.

At the helm of these major attractions is the Cojuangco Cup, the first leg of the annual Triple Crown Championship Series for the top three-year-olds in the land.

A total of P1.6 million is at stake with 14 gutsy runners officially entered in this 1,600-meter race sponsored by the Philippine Racing Commission in honor of the first Philracom chair and former Ambassador Danding Cojuangco Jr.

Silver Story heads the stellar cast vying for the top prize of P1 million, the biggest ever since the annual event started in 1978.

The three-year-old grey colt by prolific stallion Conquistarose out of Northern Edge is aiming to duplicate the sweep posted by seven other bets in the said annual event.

## Preakness Stakes

BALTIMORE, Maryland— Kentucky Derby winner Monarchos has to overcome more than just his 10 rivals in the 126th Preakness Stakes on Saturday to keep alive his bid for the U.S. Triple crown in a race that could favor the longshots.

PHILAMLIFE STAR

Junie Fontanilla of the Philamlife golf team hits a tee shot during the closing round of the Alaxan Intervillage golf tournament, which Philamlife won over nine other Quezon City teams.

# Negrido tops Jungolf

LAURENCE Negrido bucked a final-round collapse to rule Class B even as Koreans dominated Class A play in the recent Wack Wack Jungolf Open, the eighth leg of the annual Jungolf Summer Circuit.

Negrido, son of a teaching pro at Villamor, won by three strokes over Carlo Santos-Ocampo and far ahead of Terence Macatangay and Martin Mediana in the age-group for 13-14 year olds.

Also winning in the series backed by Northwest Airlines as official carrier were Lee Seongki in Class A, Antonio Asistio in Class C, John Kier Abdon in Class D, and Jobim Carlos in Class E.

In girls play, it was Katrina Gonzalez in Class A, Jayvie Agojo in Class B, Geleen Handog in Class C, Debbie de Villa in Class D and Dottie Ardina in Class E.

The top finishers:

Class A Boys (236 L. Seongki, 244 K. Tae Hun, 251 E. Lumanog, 258 JP Gali 258, 261 BJ Cebrero) Girls (266 K. Gonzalez, 275 M. Cruz).

Class B Boys (233 L. Negrido, 236 C. Santos-Ocampo, 247 T. Macarangay, 249 M. Mediana, 250 E. Lumanog) Girls (231 J. Agojo, 260 M. Salvio, 353 P. Siy)

Class C Boys (227 A. Asistio, 236 M. Yee, 241 IG Gutierrez, 242 A. Guy, 248 M. Bakunawa) Girls (273 G. Handog 278 L. de Villa, 287 N. Sevilla).

Class D Boys (187 J. Abdon, 217 RG Medestomas, 220 N. Sevilla, 221 J. Ong, 231 M. Arevalo) Girls (203 D. de Villa, 266 A. Asistio, 105 J. Ricohermoso)

Class E Boys (192 J. Carlos, 200 E. Kishida, 208 J. Uy, 212 J. Cruz, 228 R. Gonzalez) Girls (212 D. Ardina, 263 A. de Villa).

# Circuit to visit Tagaytay

THE TAGAYTAY Highlands and Midlands courses will host the next leg of the Titleist-Footjoy National Amateur Circuit starting on Tuesday, May 22.

Competitions in various handicap classifications are on tap in the four-day event conducted by the National Golf Association of the Philippines as part of its developmental thrust.

Players in the men's championship, Group II and III will play the Highlands course on Tuesday and Midlands on Wednesday. The women's championship together with those in Group I and IV and the ladies event will play in the last two rounds.

Interested players can register at the NGAP office (tel. Nos. 525-6987/ 5245160 or any Chris T outlets nationwide until Monday. Entry fee is P2,000 for non-members and P300 for members.

Smokin Cue First Mega Nine Ball Tournament

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# Gloria invited

ONE WINNER

*Edwin Villanueva*

IT'S Cojuangco Cup day today at Santa Ana and notice how superbly the 14-race lineup is handicapped.

This is one of the reasons why the Makati race venue and off-tracks during Santa Ana races are always teeming with *kareristas* right from the opening run.

But lo and behold, behind those attractive lineups are howls of protests involving no less than the Philippine Racing Club's handicappers.

At the forefront of complaints against those PRC men are horseowners and trainers who are accusing two handicappers of irregularities as far as scheduling their horses is concerned.

According to the horseowners and trainers, one of the handicappers, known among *kareristas* as "Garapal," is a handyman of one noted horseowner who allegedly showers him with all the boon by handicapping his horses to his satisfaction.

And this, the complainants said, means looking for lowly rivals for the owner's horses and giving them favorable post positions through some hocus pocus during *bolahan*.

"Garapal" is said to be a *sabungero* and the complainants said he gets all his *panaya* from the horseowner.

The other handicapper allegedly favors another known horseowner whose horses surprisingly remain in their old groups despite having compiled the needed wins to move up.

"*Pag di na*-check *yang mga* handicappers *na yan kawawa ang ibang* horseowners *na di sila hawak*," said one of the complainants.

Is the PRC management listening? We hope you got the message clear.

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**Pasay City has a new house representative in Connie Dy, wife of my friend, sportsman-businessman Joey Dy.**

**Thousands of *kareristas* in the city likened the recent congressional elections there to a horse race where, they said, Connie beat her rivals by "ML" or many lengths.**

**Aside from the *kareristas*' nod, Connie also drew huge support from the city's poor who benefitted mainly from the Gloria Macapagal Arroyo-Connie Dy Poverty Alleviation Center which turned a year old last May 8.**

**Congratulations to Connie and Joey!**

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Adriatico Street's most famous resident, businessman Myther Bunag, is turning a new leaf on May 26 but he wants it to celebrate on his favorite day—a Thursday.

So Myther's big bash will be held this coming Thursday, May 24, at the Myther's and Friends.

Number one in Myther's guest list is none other than his *kumare*—President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo.

Also expected to come in full force are his close buddies from the horse racing world like Putch Puyat, Sandy Javier, Mon Balatbat, Jun Almeda, Sonny Arevalo, Val Cayco, Bobok Domingo Jr., Andy Sevilla and Arthur Arroyo, cousin of Mike Arroyo.

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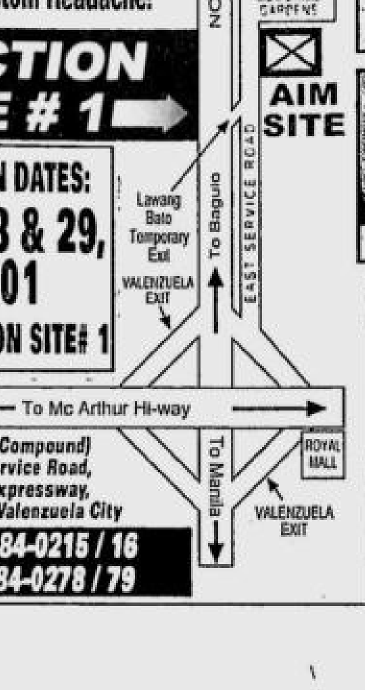

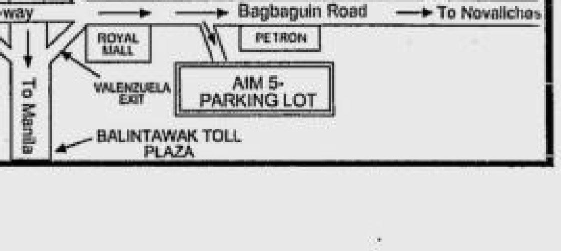

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# *Sunday* SPORTS

**AL S. MENDOZA**, Editor **EDWIN M. VILLANUEVA**, Assistant Editor

## Yenko, Barrios in PSA

PHILIPPINE Basketball Association Chairman Iggy Yenko and acting PBA Commissioner Sonny Barrios will grace Tuesday's PSA Sports Forum at the Holiday Inn. The PBA Second Conference will be the main topic in the forum sponsored by Red Bull and Agfa Colors. Session begins at 10:30 a.m.

PBL CHAIRMAN'S CUP

# Shark defeats Ana, earns top spot

## 'Scoop'

SPECTATOR

*Al S. Mendoza*

**CONDOLENCE.** My family condoles with my *balae*, Tony Royeca, whose mother (Elvira Lagdameo-Royeca) died two days ago in General Santos City. Lola Elvie departed five days after her *apo-sa -tuhod* Miguel Antonio was delivered by Magirl to this world by natural birth at the Makati Medical Center under the care of Dr. Carmen Enverga-Santos. One goes, another arrives. The cycle of life at work. When Dada (Miguel's sis) was born two years ago, her Lolo (Lola Elvie's hubby) also left us.

■

FIRST, the good news.

The record attendance of close to 18,000 that watched Game 6 of the PBA All-Filipino Finals is proof once more that the Philippine Basketball Association has remained the No. 1 league in this cage-crazed republic of 70 million. Born in 1975, the PBA continues to reap success after success. I see only one reason for this and that is, that the league has a system that has become foolproof. Cheers to Commissioner Jun Bernardino and his deputy Sonny Barrios for continuing to carry the torch.

And now the bad news.

We missed a Game 7 because according to Zacarias Patalinjug, my brand-new legman, a top banana from the San Miguel Beer hierarchy ordered the Beermen to end the series in Game 6.

"The SMB boss got mad after Ginebra bungled its chance to win Game 5," said Zac. "In his fit of rage, he ordered the Beermen to go all out in Game 6."

Zac told me the SMB boss lost his cool after Ginebra failed to win Game 5 in regulation.

"This charade is over," Zac quoted the SMB boss as telling his subalterns just minutes after SMB won Game 5 for a 3-2 lead. "We had given them (Gin Kings) all the chances to reach Game 7 in my wish to make this basketball republic happy. But what have they done? Ah, they make me sick."

Zac said the SMB official went on to cite Games 3 and 4 "as not only gifts to Ginebra but also to the fans."

He said Game 5 was almost designed to make Ginebra the winner. And then SMB would "fight back" in Game 6 to forge a Game 7.

"But because Ginebra did not deliver in Game 5," said Zac, "the SMB boss got pissed off and ordered the Beermen 'to finally put an end' to Ginebra's foolishness."

I'll have to believe Zac. He's just joined me. He needs to express the truth and nothing but the truth. Not impress me with half-truths. Else, he gets fired immediately should his "scoop" prove to be a dud. *Kuryente*.

This is so delicate a topic that I don't want it messed up. Zac is a rookie but I'm trusting my instincts.

"I know I am gambling, that my job's at stake here," Zac said. "But I'm standing by my story, sir. *Peks man.*"

What do you think?

BY DENNIS U. EROA

**UNFORGIVING Shark Energy Drink overpowered Ana Freezer, 77-59, and assured itself of the top position in the semifinals yesterday in the PBL Chairman's Cup at the Makati Coliseum.**

Bucking a hurting back, Chester Tolomia sizzled all night long with his repertoire of shots even as Gilbert Malabanan, Jing Rodriguez and Rysal Castro mocked Ana's defenses as the Power Boosters bounced back after losing, 63-76, to GIV Beauty Soap last May 15.

"We don't want any complications," said Shark mentor Leo Austria as Shark improved to an impressive 9-1 win-loss card. It is now assured of the twice-to-beat advantage in the crossover semis.

Defending champion Welcoat Paints moved closer to a repeat showdown against Shark with a clinical 65-61 victory over GIV. Welcoat now shared second place with Ana with similar 6-3 slates. GIV dropped to 5-4.

"We're confident to get the second spot and the twice-to-beat privilege in the semis," said Welcoat mentor Junel Baculi, who steered the Paintmasters to their fifth straight win.

Slotman Yancy de Ocampo ruled the boards, while Ren Ren Ritualo abandoned his scoring chores to create scoring opportunities for his teammates.

The Shark-Ana game was close only in the first period, 19-16. Led by Warren Ybañez, the Power Boosters slowly pulled away as the Freezer Kings put up a token defense.

Scores:

SHARK 77—Tolomia 18, Malabanan 17, Rodriguez 12, Castro 11, Ybañez 8, Robinson 6, Garcia 3, Caceres 2, Basilides 1, Balares 0, Sotto 0, Ortega 0.

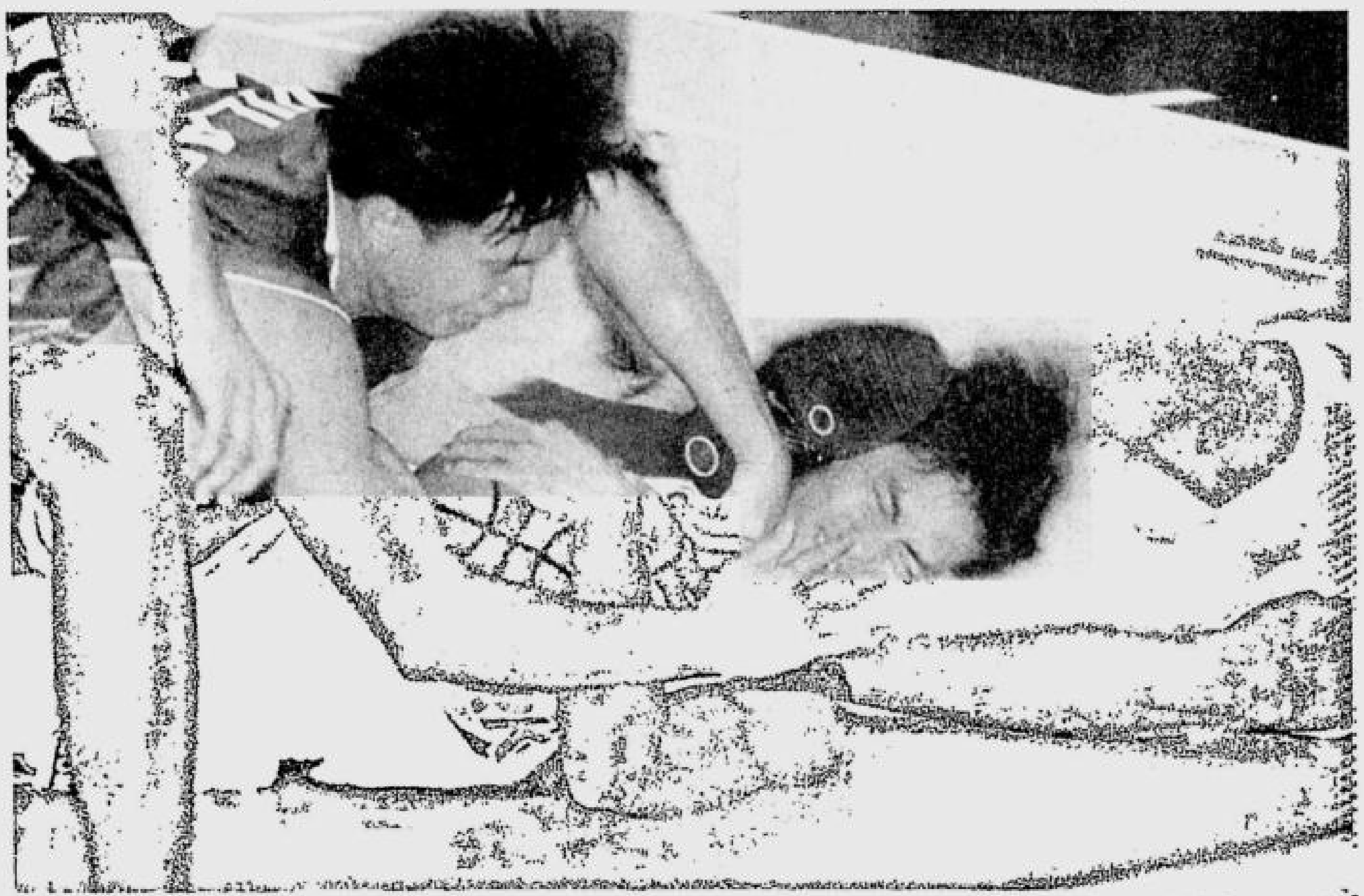
ANA 59—D. Mendoza 21, Tubid 12, Pascual 10, Mendoza 7, Capus 4, Artadi 3, Mendez 2, Vilar 0, De Castro 0.

Quarters: 19-16, 33-26, 49-38, 77-59.

WELCOAT 65—De Ocampo 17, Patrimonio 9, Canlas 8, Tan 7, Ritualo 6, Encarnacion 6, Manalo 5, Tolentino 4, Orfrecio 3, Cruz 0.

GIV 61—Bacani 12, Calo 11, Sanz 10, Legaspi 9, Kalaw 5, Gumatay 5, Billones 5, De la Cuesta 4, Peña 0, Roldan 0, Epondulan 0.

Quarters: 23-16, 35-25, 49-37, 65-61.



LEO Vilar (left) of Ana Freezer tries to snatch the ball away from Gerard Ortega of Shark Energy Drink yesterday in the PBL Chairman's Cup. Shark won, 77-59. JESS YUSON

## Blu's PBA bid doomed

BLU DETERGENT'S attempt to enter the PBA by buying the Purefoods franchise is doomed.

Or so it seemed.

Dioceldo Sy, Blu team owner and chair of the PBL, yesterday told the INQUIRER that his initial meetings with a top-ranking official from San Miguel Corp. produced no "solid" results.

"At the moment, SMC isn't inclined to even talk about selling the Purefoods franchise," said Sy. "It seems it is determined to hold on to the franchise."

He declined to identify the SMC executive.

"But I am thankful for the oppurtunity," Sy said. "And there is no reason for SMC to hurry up things. It has many options regarding Purefoods."

Blu became the second PBL team to aim for a PBA membership after Welcoat Paints during the last two years.

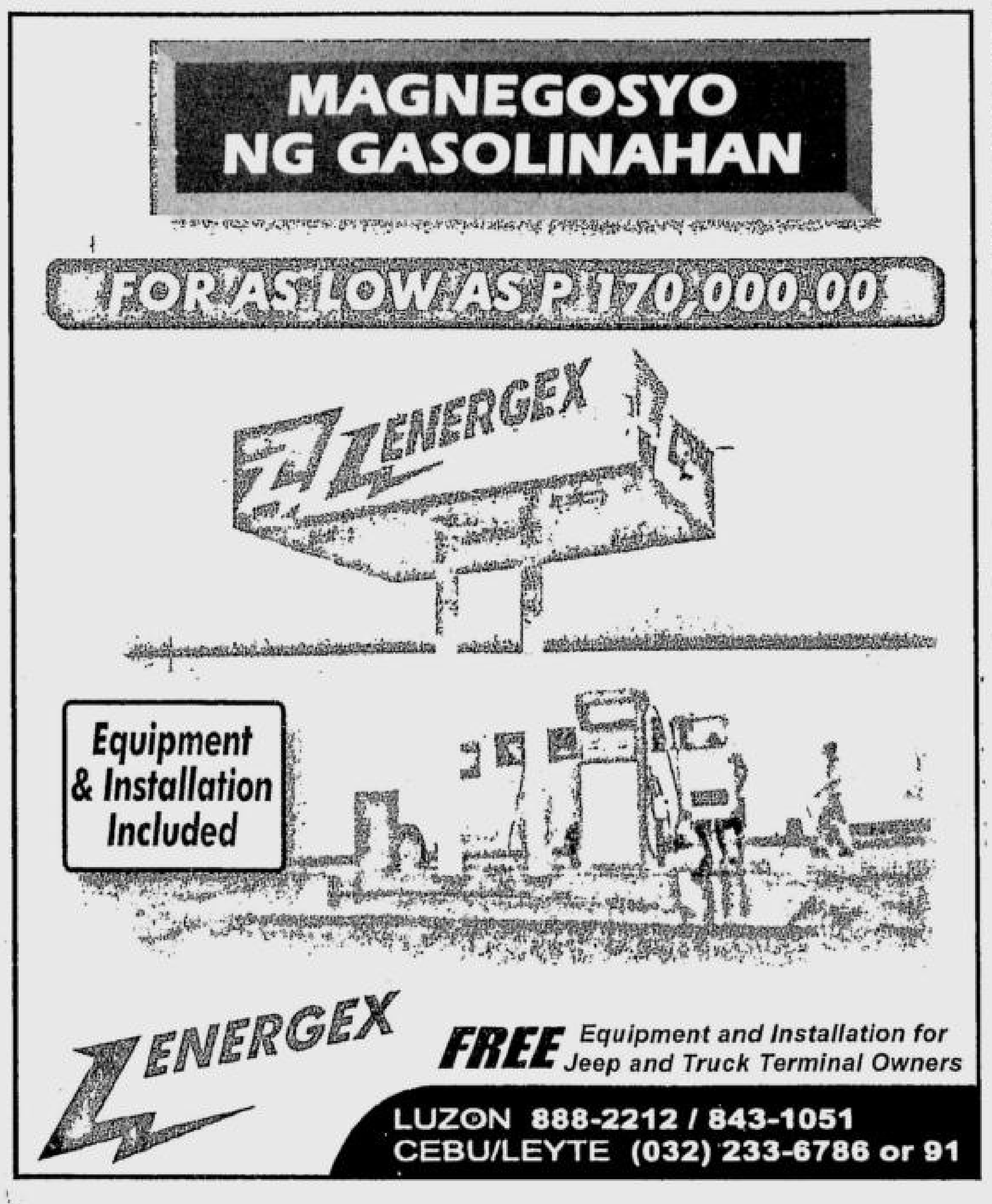
Red Bull and Tanduay successfully made the jump some years back to the pro league.

Meanwhile, PBL Commissioner Chino Trinidad said that the league will treat the fans to the annual "Showcase" on June 9 at the Makati Coliseum.

"We owe the PBL's success to the fans," Trinidad said. "The Showcase will surely delight the fans."

Among the events lined up for the "Showcase" are three-point shooting, buzzer-beater, two-ball and the slam dunk contest won by Hapee's Cyrus Baguio last year.

Top dribblers from the PYBL championship will also be given the chance to compete. *Dennis U. Eroa*



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## Raptors force Game 7

TORONTO The Toronto Raptors weren't going to let Allen Iverson put an end to their season.

Employing a double-teaming defense that took Iverson totally out of his rhythm, Toronto got 39 points from Vince Carter and dominated the fourth quarter to beat Philadelphia, 101-89, yesterday and force a seventh game in the Eastern Conference semifinal.

Iverson missed 10 of his first 12 shots and finished just 6-for-24 from the field for 20 points. He began the night averaging 39.0 points in the series.

The Raptors, winning for the third time this season when facing elimination, looked nothing like they did two nights earlier in Philadelphia when they lost by 33 and allowed Iverson to score 52.

Sending the series back to Philadelphia for the deciding game tomorrow, the Raptors played with composure, were the more physical team and benefited from a series of adjustments made by Hall of Fame coach Lenny Wilkens—the most important of which was sending two defenders at Iverson as soon as he touched the ball.

Rookie Morris Peterson, making his first start since Game 1 of the first round, scored 17 points. *AP*

## Paragua beats Muleta

IM Mark Paragua breezed through his first round assignment yesterday, beating Cagayan de Oro's Jordan Muleta in just 16 moves of the National Age Group Chess Championships in Mandaluyong City.

Paragua, only 17, is competing in the boys' under 20-category and intends to use the competition as a springboard to the Asian Juniors competition. Under 18 top seed NM Oliver Barbosa also posted an easy 20-move victory over Fredison Cominal. Other winners were Shell Active champ Ivan Gil Bing (boys U 12), Carl Espallardo (U 18) and Jonathan Bayron (U 20).

Women's play saw Christine Grace Espallardo defeat Mary Joy Barone in the U-20.

## MBA cager makes it to Japan TV

IN A country where basketball is elevated from a mere sport to a national passion, it is, as well, the shortcut to recognition and a better life.

Basketball skills and an easy attitude are attributes treasured by coaches. These paved the road for Negros Slashers forward Reynel Hugnatan, the subject of "Asian Human Hi-way," a 30-minute TV special of the Japan Broadcasting Corp. (NHK), the lone public television station in the Land of the Rising Sun.

The TV special will focus on Hugnatan's climb from sakada (itinerant field worker) in the rich sugarlands of Talisay, a farl-flung Negros Occidental municipality, to a hometown hero as a professional basketball player in the MBA.

Hugnatan is best known among MBA fans as the guy who outperformed seasoned slam dunk master Don Camaso in the 1999 MBA All-Star and challenged Fil-American Matt Mitchell in the event finals.

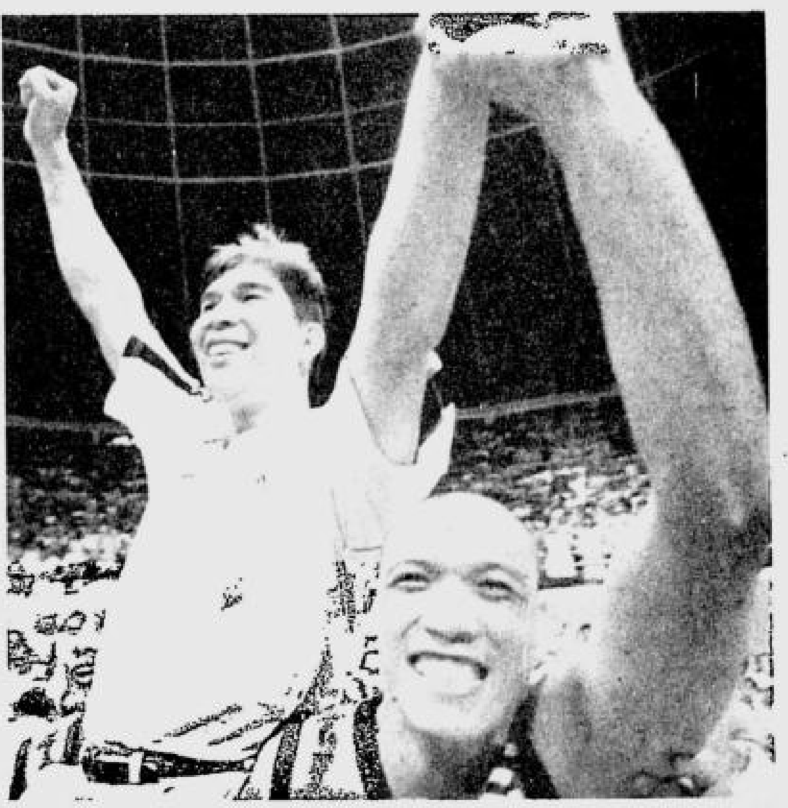
The strong but silent Negros Slashers pioneer is also instrumental in the team's two Southern Conference titles last year and in 1998. He served as a perfect complement to John Ferriols in the shaded area.

Veteran sports broadcaster Butch Maniego observed that Hugnatan is "someone who continues to add new facets to his game every year. From a mere power player, he now has more skills to contribute to his team."

In a preliminary interview for NHK, Reynel Hugnatan acknowledges the MBA for giving him "a new life by making him realize his cherished dreams."

## 'Experience won it for SMB'

BY MARC ANTHONY REYES



UICHICO (left): "All-Filipino crown is special." ERNIE U. SARMIENTO

IF IT were a boxing match, Barangay Ginebra was the knockout artist without a knockout punch and San Miguel Beer the cool, calculating champion with blood in his hands.

That's how Ron Jacobs saw the just-concluded PBA All-Filipino Cup Finals won by SMB, 4-2.

Jacobs, consultant of both teams, said Ginebra will never beat SMB in a long, arduous series.

"It's very clear," said Jacobs. "You can't beat San Miguel in a long series because its experience will show in the end. That's exactly what happened. Everything that Allan (Caidic) tried to do just didn't work."

Caidic, the Gin Kings coach, seconded Jacobs' observation.

Said Caidic: "We failed to recover from Game 5 (SMB won it, 98-95, in overtime) and we allowed them to pull away tonight (Game 6)."

He said his strategy to stay close to SMB didn't work in Game 6.

"Our strategy was to keep the game close as much as possible," said Caidic, whose team managed to do just that in the first five games. "But when they started to have a scoring streak, it affected us emotionally."

It damaged Ginebra's morale no end after San Miguel sped to a 20-plus advantage in the third quarter that put an anti-climactic finish to a series that appeared headed for a Game 7 after it got tied at 2-2.

"The All-Filipino title has always been important to us because we have no import to rely on," said SMB coach Jong Uichico of his team's first AFC crown in seven years. "But winning it against a team that pushed us to the limit made it even more special."

"We just wanted to get it over with before things get out of hand," said Finals MVP Danny Seigle, whose third-quarter explosion triggered Ginebra's massacre.

Seigle said he wanted to erase that stigma of 2-of-24 shooting from the field in Game 4. He made 31 points, eight rebounds, two assists and two blocks in Game 6 to easily win the MVP award in the title playoffs.

## Parica guns for US crown today

JOSE "Amang" Parica defeated Kim Davenport, 11-10 in the semifinals to advance to the finals of the Billiards Congress of America (BCA) Open 9-Ball Championship on Saturday (Sunday, Manila time).

The veteran Filipino pool pro, who remained undefeated after five days play, will meet the winner of the other semifinal match Friday night between Americans Davenport and Corey Deuel.

If Parica wins the championship, it would be the third title won by Filipinos in the 2001 US pro billiards circuit. Efren "Bata" Reyes won the 1st Masters Championship in Virginia last month, and Francisco "Django" Bustamante took the Turning Stone Casino title in New York two weeks ago.

Parica, now living permanently in the United States, was an original member of the team of pool pros sponsored by Manila sportsmen Jose G. Puyat and Aristeo G. Puyat composed of Reyes, Bustamante, Rodolfo Luat and Leonardo Andam.

## Hilario pockets Subic windsurfing

JOSE 'Peng' Hilario emerged overall champion in the recent Smart-CFW Summer Windsurfing Regatta at Cubi Point, Subic Bay, Zambales.

Hilario, who topped Class A, won a Smart Ericsson A 2618s in the tournament sponsored by Smart Communications and the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority.

Other winners were George Villacorte in Class B and Dr. Ches Heredia in Class C. Also faring well were Dan Eustaquio (Class A 1st runner-up), Rico Cumayas (Class A 2nd runner-up); Ian Bautista (Class B 1st runner-up), Verge Bayani (Class B 2nd runner-up); Mark Sison (Class C 1st runner-up) and Albert Andal (Class C 2nd runner-up).

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# Returns seized in Malabon raid

**NAMFREL/COMELEC**

**MANILA**
As of 11:30 a.m.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Atienza | 147,487 |
| Lim | 115,177 |
| **Vice Mayor** | |
| Lacuna | 189,576 |
| Dionisio | 79,203 |
| **Congressman** | |
| *1st District* | |
| Nieva | 22,175 |
| Isidro | 14,273 |

NAMFREL/ A24

BY CHRISTIAN V. ESGUERRA

POLICE on Friday night raided the former campaign headquarters of Malabon Vice Mayor Jay Jay Yambao and allegedly seized 88 pieces of election returns from various precincts in Navotas and Malabon.

Armed with a warrant issued by Judge Antonio Fineza of the Caloocan City Regional Trial Court, the policemen searched the house at 5 M. Aquino Street, Barangay Niugan, Malabon and found the election returns in three boxes of instant noodles.

But election officer Armando Mallorca said the seized paraphernalia could not have been authentic since Malabon has no missing election returns.

Yambao said the materials were planted in his former campaign headquarters by "bitter losing candidates."

Eleven of the returns contained supposed results of the local elections in barangays Tangos and Tanza in Navotas. The rest showed alleged results of the congressional race in barangays Maysilo, Santulan, Tinajeros, Longos, and Panghulo in Malabon.

According to the seized returns, Navotas Mayor Tobias Tiangco supposedly lost the elections in 11 precincts—260 to 838—against Felipe del Rosario.

The Comelec on Thursday proclaimed Tiangco mayor following a landslide victory over Del Rosario—46,503 to 20,710.

In the 77 Malabon election returns, Rissa Oreta, daughter of Estrada ally Sen. Tessie Aquino-Oreta, supposedly won by a large margin against incumbent Rep. Ricky Sandoval.

Malabon and Navotas share a single congressional district.

Yambao said he only borrowed the house from his friend Tony Francisco and left it for a bigger place on the eve of the election.

"This is a last-ditch effort of losing candidates to prevent the proclamation of winners in Malabon," Yambao said.

Sandoval also criticized Oreta for allegedly planting the election returns. "She doesn't care anymore who she's running against," he said.

Yambao and Oreta belong to the same political party.

Tiangco refused to support Sandoval's allegation since "Rissa is (his) partymate," Sandoval said.

He said Oreta is on a "rampage" following her reported defeat in the Navotas congressional race.

Sandoval said Oreta would do anything to prevent her impending loss in Malabon, even if it means

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| *2nd District* | |
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| Ponce | 21,434 |
| *3rd Ditrict* | |
| Angping | 31,812 |
| Fugoso | 13,632 |
| Viceo | 6,563 |
| *4th District* | |
| Bacani | 46,200 |
| Herrera | 15,310 |
| *5th District* | |
| Hizon | 54,143 |
| Cantal | 7,675 |
| *6th District* | |
| Ocampo | 21,965 |
| Crespo | 21,179 |
| Abante | 16,529 |

**MALABON**
As of 2:35 p.m. (Comelec)

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Vicencio | 34,164 |
| Marcelo | 16,819 |
| **Congressman** | |
| Sandoval | 25,607 |
| Oreta | 22,646 |

**NAVOTAS**
Winners proclaimed

**MANDALUYONG**

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Abalos | 62,767 |
| Domingo | 37,849 |
| **Vice Mayor** | |
| Cruz | 56,633 |
| Salvador | 42,234 |
| **Congressman** | |
| Gonzales | 64,010 |
| Domingo-Buan | 26,576 |

**QUEZON CITY**

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Belmonte | 302,351 |
| Fernandez | 206,555 |
| **Vice Mayor** | |
| Bautista | 352,337 |
| Angeles | 213,952 |
| **Congressmen** | |
| *District 1* | |
| Calalay | 66,052 |
| Samson | 34,603 |
| *District 2* | |
| Mathay | 130,479 |
| Castelo | 80,564 |
| *District 3* | |
| Defensor | 33,403 |
| Coseteng | 24,061 |
| *District 4* | |
| Daza | 28,882 |
| Lagman | 27,724 |
| Mathay | 24,646 |

**PASAY CITY**
As of 5:30 p.m. (Comelec)

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Trinidad | 36,764 |
| Alcera | 20,086 |
| Santos | 20,048 |
| **Congressman** | |
| Dy | 30,981 |
| Briones | 15,312 |
| Webb | 12,798 |

**MAKATI CITY**
Comelec figures not available

**MARIKINA CITY**
Winners proclaimed

**PASIG CITY**
Winners proclaimed: Lanot for congress; Eusebio for mayor

**LAS PINAS**
Comelec figures not available

**PARANAQUE CITY**
Comelec figures not available

**VALENZUELA CITY**
Comelec figures not available

**CALOOCAN CITY**
As of midnight, May 18 (Comelec)

| | |
|---|---|
| **Mayor** | |
| Asistio | 11,743 |
| Malonzo | 10,556 |
| **Vice Mayor** | |
| Varela | 7,694 |
| Abel | 6,381 |
| Guanzon | 6,327 |
| **Congressman (2nd District)** | |
| Asistio | 9,255 |
| Erice | 9,137 |

# Mathay in 'neck and neck' fight vs virtual unknown

By Andrea Trinidad-Echavez

INCUMBENT Quezon City Mayor Ismael Mathay Jr., a politician for more than 30 years, seems headed for the crossroads as the unaudited election returns from more than 99 percent of the city's fourth district showed him losing to a virtual unknown.

Mathay is running for congressman.

Based on the tally by the city treasurer's office, incumbent Councilor Nanette Castelo Daza beat Mathay by more than 4,000 votes by earning 31,187 votes as against Mathay's 27,171.

Mathay only placed third, next to former Bicol congressman Edcel Lagman who got 30,403.

The three-cornered fight for Quezon City's fourth district congressional seat is a very close one, which Mathay himself described as "neck and neck."

Even the final quick count of the National Movement for Free Elections showed Daza winning over her two opponents by garnering a total of 28,882 votes against Lagman's 27,724 and Mathay's 24,656.

Still, Mathay refused to concede, saying he would rather wait for the final results to be issued by the Commission on Elections before issuing any statement.

As of noon yesterday, the Comelec had so far canvassed only about 15 percent of the returns with Daza leading with 3,739 votes, followed by Lagman with 3,412 and Mathay with 3,081.

Daza is the local standard bearer of the People Power Coalition. Lagman ran under the Aksyon Demokratiko. Mathay is an independent.

A two-term councilor representing the fourth district, Daza said she had mixed feelings knowing she was facing formidable opponents in Mathay and Lagman.

Mathay served as Quezon City mayor for three straight terms but he had been in politics much earlier, serving as vice governor of Metro Manila during the martial law years and later as congressman.

His tenure as mayor was not without controversies. He faced several criminal and civil charges following three major disasters in Quezon City that resulted in the deaths of hundreds of people.

In his last term as mayor, two big fires hit the city—first at the Ozone Disco on Timog Avenue where more than 100 people died and then at the Lung Center of the Philippines which killed about 30 people.

'PANDAY' POWER

RANDY HORMILLOSA

Supporters of Cavite Gov. Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr. gather in a rally Thursday night at the provincial capitol in Trece Martirez City to protest alleged fraud by his rival, Ayong Maliksi, who is leading in the counting. Revilla is known for his role in the popular fantasy film series "Ang Panday," among other hits.

# Parañaque doing 'slow count' only at night

By Alcuin Papa

THE COUNTING of votes in Parañaque is going at a slow pace following the decision of the local Commission on Elections to count the votes only at night.

When the Inquirer visited the counting venue at the Parañaque Sports Complex gym behind City Hall, the place was closed. Marines were closely guarding the place.

According to residents in the area, counting is done only starting at 5 p.m. because the election officials could not bear the heat inside the gym during daytime.

A City Hall official who refused to be identified said the large number of poll watchers and election officials pack the small venue, making the heat inside the gym unbearable during the daytime.

Ben Tulfo, information officer at City Hall, also lamented the fact that the local Comelec does not post the results.

"That results heightened passions among the supporters of both camps," Tulfo told the Inquirer. "Aside from that, residents have no real idea who is leading."

The Inquirer tried but failed to talk with any local Comelec officials. On Friday, supporters of incumbent Mayor Joey Marquez clashed with supporters of his rival for the mayoralty, Pablo Olivarez.

The clash led to the stabbing of a brother of Marquez's wife, actress Alma Moreno.

The Olivarez camp insists Marquez cheated in the May 14 elections.

Parañaque police have arrested suspected flying voters but Moreno denied they were involved in cheating.

"My God, my conscience is clear," Moreno told the Inquirer in a phone interview. "Ever since Joey ran for vice mayor, we have not been involved in that. Our opponents should show evidence against us."

She also denied rumors that she had a factory in Pampanga where ballots were allegedly manufactured.

As of press time, the local Namfrel count has been finished, showing Marquez as the winner.

Supporters of Olivarez have been camped outside the counting venue in a continuing protest against alleged cheating.

# 10 cops probed for hotel man's slay

By Philip C. Tubeza

THE CENTRAL Police District (CPD) is investigating 10 policemen from Camp Crame for their alleged involvement in the killing of New World Hotel's chief steward in an ambush in Quezon City Thursday night.

"They are already in our custody," a police source said yesterday.

The source said the ongoing investigation's initial findings showed that New World Hotel chief steward Fernando Lozada and his two companions might have been mistaken for members of a criminal syndicate.

Lozada, 48, of 49 Ferdinand St., Vista Verde Executive Village in Cainta, Rizal, died after gunmen on board two cars peppered with bullets his Mitsubishi Lancer (TKM-265) along Araneta Avenue.

Glass splinters injured Lozada's 17-year-old daughter while a bullet hit their family friend, Marian Uson, 18, of Nueve de Pebrero, Mandaluyong City, in the head.

Uson is still in critical condition at the Capitol Medical Center.

The source said the policemen were on a "legitimate operation against criminal elements" in the area when they mistook Lozada's car for the vehicle of the suspects.

The investigator, however, declined to identify the unit of the suspected policemen. Earlier reports named the suspected policemen's unit as the Philippine National Police-Intelligence Group, which is under Senior Supt. Reynaldo Berroya.

Another police source said the policemen might have been after car thieves and that lawmen's show of force might have rattled Lozada.

"Lozada must have panicked when he saw the agents come out of their vehicles armed with short and long firearms and so he immediately drove away," the source said.

The investigator, however, did not explain why the gunmen opened fire at Lozada's car when Lozada and his two passengers were unarmed.

The gunmen reportedly flagged down Lozada's car near the corner of Araneta and Del Monte avenues at 8:20 p.m. Thursday, said case investigator PO3 Diosdado Pedronan.

Pedronan said Lozada stepped on the gas when he saw that the men who had flagged him down were heavily armed.

The gunmen chased after Lozada's car and then opened fire.

Lozada's Mitsubishi Lancer rammed into the sidewalk near the corner of Araneta Avenue and Maria Clara Street in Barangay Sto. Domingo in Quezon City, Pedronan said.

The gunmen stopped near Lozada's car and peppered it with bullets before they finally drove off, Pedronan said.

# Pop Cola cager robbed of Nissan Patrol

By Philip C. Tubeza

POP COLA basketball player Crisanto (Cris) Bolado lost his Nissan Patrol to thieves who took it from his Quezon City home before dawn Friday.

Bolado, 31, of 58 Mapagkawanggawa St., Diliman, told investigators at the Anonas police station that the thieves took his 1997 green Nissan Patrol (APY-111).

The basketball player said the thieves struck between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. Friday after he left the vehicle unattended in front of his home, according to police.

After Bolado reported the car theft, the Central Police District's tactical operations center sent an alarm to all of CPD's 11 stations.

Police said Bolado's case was forwarded to the station's anti-carnapping unit for further investigation.

The stolen vehicle was the second case reported to the Anonas police station this week.

On Thursday, Ma. Cecilia Cabizo Datinggaling, 38, of 116-B K 6th St., Kamias, Quezon City, told police her car was stolen while it was parked in front of her home.

Datinggaling said she left her 1990 midnight-blue Nissan Sentra SGX (PSZ-310) around 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Police said Datinggaling discovered the theft at about 3 a.m. the next day.

Quezon City has been called the "carnap capital" of Metro Manila because it often has the highest number of reported car thefts.

CPD officials said, however, that this is because the city covers almost one-fourth of the National Capital Region's land area.

# Returns . . .

(From page A23)

going against her winning partymates.

Oreta was not available for comment.

Sandoval said Oreta's men could have "planted" the 88 election returns to force the Commission on Elections to suspend the proclamation of winners and declare a failure of elections in Navotas and Malabon.

Partial unofficial Comelec results showed Sandoval leading Oreta—25,607 to 22,646—in 763 polling precincts in Malabon as of 2:35 p.m. yesterday.

Sandoval reportedly defeated Oreta—41,532 to 28,735—in his hometown Navotas.

Oreta is the only candidate of Estrada's Puwersa ng Masa coalition to suffer a beating in the Malabon-Navotas elections.

She was tagged as an early favorite since Malabon is the bailiwick of her mother.

Malabon has 158,579 registered voters while Navotas has 88,301.

Partial unofficial Comelec results showed incumbent Malabon Mayor Amado Vicencio winning against Flerry Marcelo of the People Power Coalition, 34,164 to 16,819.

Yambao was leading the vice mayoral race with 23,670.

Tiangco won the Navotas mayoral race.

Puwersa candidates took all but one of the 12 positions for councilor in Navotas.

## THE DAILY GOSPEL

Sunday, May 20, 2001
6th Sunday of Easter

**1st Reading:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Some persons who had come from Judea to Antioch were teaching the brothers in this way, "Unless you are circumcised according to the law of Moses, you cannot be saved."

Because of this there was trouble, and Paul and Barnabas had fierce arguments with them. For Paul told the people to remain as they were when they became believers. Finally those who had come from Jerusalem suggested that Paul and Barnabas and some others go up to Jerusalem to discuss the matter with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders together with the whole Church decided to choose representatives from among them to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. These were Judas, known as Barsabbas, and Silas, both leading men among the brothers. They took with them the following letter:

Greetings from the apostles and elders, your brothers, to the believers of non-Jewish birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We have heard that some persons from among us have worried you with their discussions and troubled your peace of mind. They were not appointed by us. But now, it has seemed right to us in an assembly, to choose representatives and to send them to you, along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the service of our Lord Jesus Christ. We send you then Judas and Silas who themselves will give you these instructions by word of mouth.

We, with the Holy Spirit, have decided not to put any other burden on you except what is necessary: You are to abstain from blood from the meat of strangled animals and from prohibited marriages. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell."

**2nd Reading:** Rev 21:10-14, 22-23

The angel took me up in a spiritual vision to a very high mountain and he showed me the holy city of Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. It shines with the glory of God, like a precious jewel with the color of crystal-clear jasper.

Its wall, large and high, has twelve gates; stationed at them are twelve angels. Over the gates are written the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel. Three gates face the east; three gates face the north; three gates face the south and three face the west. The city wall stands on twelve foundation stones on which are written the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for the Lord God, Master of the universe, and the Lamb are themselves its temple. The city has no need of the light of the sun or the moon, since God's Glory is its light and the Lamb is its lamp.

**Gospel:** Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word and my Father will love him; and we will come to him and make a room in his home. But if anyone does not love me, he will not keep my words, and these words that you hear are not mine but the Father's who sent me.

I told you all this while I was still with you. From now on the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of all that I have told you.

Peace be with you; I give you my peace. Not as the world gives peace do I give it to you. Do not be troubled; do not be afraid. You heard me say: 'I am going away, but I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I go to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it takes place, so that when it does happen you may believe."

**Commentary:**

*Jesus never steals a show. Even up to the last instructions to the disciples, his mind-heart is centered on the Father, the goal of his life and of all. He has shown this consistently in his life and public ministry. He has thus reversed the selfish way of fallen humanity and is about to cap this with his passion-death, when he emits the new Spirit over all creation. In all he has sought God's glory—both in life and in death, in acceptance and in rejection, in success and in failure, nay in all the polarities of conditioned human life. Whose glory do you seek? Do you tend to steal the show? If so, let these words always resound in you: "Soli Deo!" (To God alone [belong all]!).*

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## SUPREME COURT DOCTRINES

**REMEDIAL LAW (EVIDENCE)—Credibility of witness—**It is well settled that the credibility of the witnesses is best left to the determination of the trial court because the latter is in an advantageous position to determine the demeanor of the witnesses while testifying. As a general rule, appellate courts accord the trial court's evaluation of the testimony of the witnesses with great respect and finality in the absence of any indication that it overlooked certain facts or circumstances of weight and influence, which if considered would alter the result of the case. In this case no reason exists to justify the departure from this rule. The trial court has found that the eyewitnesses testified in a "straightforward, credible and unbiased" manner. Our own assessment of their testimonies reflected in the transcript of the stenographic notes thereof convince us of their credibility. [Citations omitted.] [Chief Justice Davide, Jr., People v. Sualog, G.R. No. 134310, November 15, 2000]

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| SM CITY FAIRVIEW | | 9350749 |
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| 1 | DOLBY SURROUND | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 2 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |
| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | SUGAR AND SPICE |
| 4 | DOLBY DIGITAL | VALENTINE |
| 5 | DOLBY SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 7 | DOLBY DIGITAL | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 8 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 9 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
| 11 | DOLBY SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |

| SM CITY MANILA | | 5239240 |
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| 2 | DOLBY DIGITAL | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 4 | DOLBY SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 5 | DOLBY DIGITAL | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 6 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | 15 MINUTES |
| 7 | DOLBY SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 8 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |
| 9 | DOLBY SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 11 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

| GUADALUPE COMM'L CTR | | 8820950 |
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| 1 | ULTRA SURROUND | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| 2 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | DIVINO |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | POSSESSED |

| SM MEGAMALL | | 6331901 • 6329401 |
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| 3 | DOLBY DIGITAL | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 4 | DTS | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 5 | DOLBY SURROUND | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 7 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 8 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
| 9 | DOLBY SURROUND | VALENTINE |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 11 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 12 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

| SM CITY NORTH EDSA | | 9295452 |
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| 2 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 4 | DOLBY SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
| 5 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 7 | DTS | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 8 | DOLBY DIGITAL | VALENTINE |
| 9 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 11 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | LUCKY NUMBERS |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |

| SM SOUTHMALL | | 8066888 • 8066782 |
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| 1 | ULTRA SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 2 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | VALENTINE |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 7 | ULTRA SURROUND | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 8 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | 15 MINUTES |
| 9 | ULTRA SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 10 | ULTRA SURROUND | POSSESSED |

| TUTUBAN CENTER | | 2514302 |
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| 1 | ULTRA SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 2 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | KAILANGAN KO'Y IKAW |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 4 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |

| SM CEBU | | 2313876 |
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| 1 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 2 | ULTRA SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 3 | ULTRA SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | DOLBY SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |

| SM ILOILO | | 3209422 |
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| 2 | ULTRA SURROUND | CLOSED |
| 3 | ULTRA SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | ULTRA SURROUND | CLOSED |
| 8 | ULTRA SURROUND | HALIK NG SERENA |

| SM PAMPANGA | | 7128015 |
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| 1 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | 15 MINUTES |
| 2 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 4 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 5 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | MINSAN MAY ISANG PUSO |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

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3 THE POSSESSED
4 15 MINUTES

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2 15 MINUTES — in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
3 VALENTINE THX — in DSD/SDDS/DTS DIGITAL SOUND
4 THE CRIMSON RIVERS (Phil. Premiere) — in DTS DIGITAL SOUND — Art Film
5 LUCKY NUMBERS — in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
6 SPY KIDS — in DTS/SDDS DIGITAL SOUND
7 EXIT WOUNDS — in DTS DIGITAL SOUND

**GREENBELT**
1 VALENTINE — in DOLBY STEREO DIGITAL SOUND
2 SPY KIDS — in SONY DYNAMIC DIGITAL SOUND
3 SOMEONE LIKE YOU — in DOLBY STEREO DIGITAL SOUND
4 MAY 18 - 19 MOTHER TONGUE — Onstage

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1 SPY KIDS THX — in DSD/SDDS DIGITAL SOUND
2 SOMEONE LIKE YOU — in DSD DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND
3 VALENTINE — in DTS DIGITAL SOUND
4 THE POSSESSED — in DTS DIGITAL SOUND
5 15 MINUTES — in DTS DIGITAL SOUND

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**Filinvest FESTIVAL CINEMA** (Muntinlupa) tel 850.3571 or 72

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| 1 | [illegible] | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | (DTS) | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 4 | GOLD (DTS) | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 5 | GOLD (DOLBY) | THE POSSESSED |
| 6 | GOLD (SDDS) | DOUBLE TAKE |
| 7 | GOLD (DOLBY) | VALENTINE |
| 8 | [illegible] | BALIKTARAN |
| 9 | [illegible] | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 10 | [illegible] | 15 MINUTES |

**Pearl Plaza Cinemas** (Parañaque) tel. 853.4486

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| 1 | | PILAK |
| 2 | | SAVE THE LAST DANCE |
| 3 | (DTS) | THE MEXICAN |
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| 6 | (DTS) | |

Golden Pearl THX

**Masagana CINEMAX 1-2 & 3** (Kalaw) tel 536.4315

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| 1 | (DOLBY) | |
| 2 | (DTS) | 15 MINUTES |
| 3 | | THE GIFT |

**Masagana CINEMA** (Pasay) tel 831 6603

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | PILAK |
| 3 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**starmall Movies** (Shaw Blvd.) tel 724.4986

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| 1 | | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 2 | | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | | PILAK |
| 4 | (DOLBY DIGITAL) | VALENTINE |
| 5 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Metropolis** (Alabang) tel 543 4001

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 3 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 4 | RESERVE |
| 5 | POSSESSED |
| 6 | SPY KIDS |
| 7 | VALENTINE |
| 8 | PILAK |

**LOUIE'S CINEMA** THX (Makati City) tel 751.2010/892 3349

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| 1 | VALENTINE |

**Center Plaza Cinema** (Balanga, Bataan) tel (047) 237.7007

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| 1 | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 2 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

**FCM FAIRVIEW CENTER MALL, INC** tel 930.9515

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| 1 | PILAK |
| 2 | ART OF WAR |
| 3 | GET CARTER |

**Spring** (Libertad, Pasay City) tel 831.7864

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| 1 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| A | DIVINO ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**Sunshine** (FTI, Taguig) tel 838.4301 loc. 3376

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA... |
| 3 | PILAK |
| 4 | DIVINO. ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**GOTESCO CINEMA**

**City** (Manila) tel 734.8588

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| 1 | (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | | RESERVE |
| 3 | | RESERVE |
| 4 | | BALIKTARAN |
| 5 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 6 | | PILAK |
| 7 | (DTS) | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 8 | (SDDS) | VALENTINE |
| 9 | (DOLBY) | POSSESSED |

**Caloocan** tel 362.3508

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| 2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Grand Central** (Caloocan) tel 364.3781

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| 1 | | PILAK |
| 2 | | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 4 | (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| 5 | | POSSESSED |
| 6 | (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 7 | (DTS) | VALENTINE |
| 8 | | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 9 | | RESERVE |

**Commonwealth** tel 951.0083

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| 1 | (DTS) | VALENTINE |
| 2 | | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 3 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 4 | | BALIKTARAN |
| 5 | (SDDS) | POSSESSED |
| 6 | | SPY KIDS |
| 7 | (DOLBY) | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 8 | | PILAK |

**Ortigas** tel 656.6795

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| 1 | | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | (DTS) | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 4 | | PILAK |
| 5 | (SDDS) | EXIT WOUNDS |

**Universal** (Manila) tel 733.2470

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| 1 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Sampaguita** (Cubao) tel 911.7888

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| 1 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Dilson** (Manila) tel 734.7724

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| 1 | VALENTINE |
| 2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 3 | RESERVE |
| 4 | SPY KIDS |

**Prima** (Pasig) tel 641 1215

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| 1 | |
| 2 | PILAK |

**Isetann Cinerama Complex Recto** SUPER CINERAMA tel 733.4238

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| 1 | (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | | VALENTINE |
| 3 | | POSSESSED |
| 4 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 5 | | PILAK |

**New Divisoria Mall CINEMA** tel 244.4619

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| 1 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | PILAK |
| 4 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| 5 | RESERVE |
| 6 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |

**Baclaran LRT CINEMA** tel 512.0115

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| 1 | (DOLBY) | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 3 | | PILAK |
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**CINEMA 2000**

**Cinema 2000 Target Mall** (Sta. Rosa Laguna) tel (049) 534.2185 / 534.2198

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| 1 | | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 2 | | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 3 | (DTS) | SPY KIDS |

**Cinema 2000 Waltermart** (Calamba) tel (049) 545.7383

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| 1 | | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 | (DTS) | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 3 | (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 4 | | BALIKTARAN |

**Lianas Cinema** (Alabang) tel 850.1276

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| 1 | (SDDS) | VALENTINE |
| 2 | | POSSESSED |
| 3 | | SPY KIDS |
| 4 | (DTS) | PILAK |

**Lianas MovieCity** (Calamba) tel (049) 545.7202

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| 1 | (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | (DTS) | ANTI TRUST |
| 4 | | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 5 | | ATTACK FORCE |

**Olivarez Tri-Cinema** (Biñan) tel (049) 511.8883

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| 1 | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | SUGAR & SPICE |

**Olivarez Los Baños** tel (049) 536.5101

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| 1 | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | WEDDING PLANNER |

**Olivarez Tagaytay** tel (046) 413.0311

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| 1 | PURPLE STORM |
| 2 | WEDDING PLANNER |
| 3 | DIVINO ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**Morales Cinema** (Biñan) tel (049) 511 9736

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| 1 | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | ANTI TRUST |
| 3 | EXTREME WARRIORS |

**Cabuyao** (Laguna City) tel (049) 531.4808

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| 1 | (DTS) | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 2 | (DTS) | RESERVE |

**Fourstep** (Cavite) tel (046) 416.2385

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| 1 | EXIT WOUNDS |

**Emperor** (Rosario Cavite) tel (046) 438.1657

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| 1 | DIVINO. ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| 2 | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 3 | BALIKTARAN |

**Fiesta World Mall** (Lipa) tel (043) 981.0790

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| 1 | TAONG X |
| 2 | LUCKY NUMBERS |
| 3 | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 4 | SUGAR & SPICE |

**Berma** tel 879.2168

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| 1 | THEY NEST |
| 2 | PILAK |

**CitiMall** (Parañaque) tel 820.7269

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| 1 | PILAK |
| 2 | BALIKTARAN |
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**Jade Cinema** (Angeles City) tel (045) 887.5001 to 03

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| 1 | (DOLBY EX) | 15 MINUTES |
| 2 | | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 3 | | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 4 | (DTS EX) | SAY IT ISN'T SO |

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# Sybil relives '80s party era

JOEY@92.3 FM recalls the memorable music of the '80s as it presents dance diva Sybil in a one-night-only engagement at the Captain's Bar of the Mandarin Oriental on Tuesday, May 22, starting at 9 p.m.

Sybil relives the party era through her show-stopping hits like "Make It Easy On Me," "Don't Make Me Over," "Walk on By," "The Love I Lost," "When I'm Good and Ready," and many more.

Tickets at P700, plus P350++ for the first standard drink, are now available at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel. Inquiries are welcome at 882-1NBC.

The special engagement is presented by Johnson's pH 5.5 and Shell-Citibank Mastercard.

For more information and updates, listen to Joey@92.3 FM.

SYBIL

## Sweet times again for Sugar Ray

SUGAR Ray, the Southern California-based quintet, has a new album called "Sugar Ray."

Sugar Ray's resident hearth-throb Mark McGrath and his merry band Craig "DJ Homicide" Bullock, Stan Frazier, Murphy Karges and Rodney Sheppard first made it big in the music scene with hits like "Every Morning" and "Someday" from their multi-platinum albums "Floored" and "14:59."

Produced by Don Gilmore, "Sugar Ray" has pop, punk, hip-hop and straight-ahead rock 'n' roll. It is slated for a June 12 release.

Warner Music Philippines announces the arrival of the new album through simultaneous airplay of its first single over radio stations Magic 89.9, 93.9 FC-FM, 97.1 LS-FM, 99.5 RT, 103.5 K-Lite and The Hive 100.3

Also participating are provincial stations Killer Bee Cebu, Davao, Zamboanga, Cagayan de Oro and Butuan, UR 105, Z100 Cebu, Campus Radio Bacolod, UR 97 Davao, UE 105 Zamboanga and Red Hot Mix-FM Davao.

The simultaneous air assault starts at 7 p.m.

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❹ 15 MINUTES
❺ NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST
❻ BALIKTARAN

**BACOLOD** (034)441-0453
❶ EXIT WOUNDS
❷ RECESS
❸ SAY IT ISN'T SO
❹ NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST
❺ HALIK NG SIRENA
❻ SWEET NOVEMBER

DOLBY dts SDDS

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| ARANETA CENTER THEATERS 911-3101 | |
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| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-1 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-2 | BALIKTARAN |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-3 (DDS) | VALENTINE |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-4 (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-5 (DTS) | 15 MINUTES |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-6 (DOLBY) | THE POSSESSED |
| ALI MALL CINEPLEX-7 (DOLBY) | EXIT WOUNDS |
| FARMERS PLAZA-1 (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| FARMERS PLAZA-2 (DOLBY) | 15 MINUTES |
| FIESTA CARNIVAL | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| NEW FRONTIER | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| **MANILA** | |
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| MAXIM | CLOSED |
| MIRAMAR | KAMANDAG NG ROSAS / OBJECT OF OBSESION |
| ODEON | VALENTINE |
| ODEON-2 | POSSESSED |
| ROBEN | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| TANDEM-1 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| TANDEM-2 | ALIPIN NG TUKSO |
| TIMES | MS. CONGENIALITY / DEMON GATE |
| **QUEZON CITY** | |
| ACT-1 | SENSUAL ISLAND |
| ACT-2 | KAYA KO PERO MASAKIT |
| ACT-3 | CLOSED |
| ACT-4 | CLOSED |
| CORONET-2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| QUEZON-1 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| REMAR | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| REMAR-2 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| **CUBAO** | |
| OCEAN SUPERAMA | BABAENG PUTIK |
| OCEAN CINEMA-A | PANABLA |
| OCEAN CINEMA-B | CRISELDA |
| **MANDALUYONG CITY** | |
| SHANGRI-LA PLAZA MALL | 635-20-79, 633-78-51 TO 70 |
| CINEMA-1 | CLOSED |
| CINEMA-2 | VALENTINE |
| **CAINTA RIZAL** | |
| STA. LUCIA EAST | (681-54091 TO 19) |
| CINEMA-1 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA... |
| CINEMA-2 | BALIKTARAN |
| CINEMA-3 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| CINEMA-4 (DOLBY DIGITAL) | LUCKY NUMBERS |
| CINEMA-5 (DTS) | SUGAR & SPICE |
| CINEMA-6 | THE MEXICAN |
| CINEMA-7 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| CINEMA-8 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| CINEMA-9 (DTS) | VALENTINE |
| CINEMA-10 (DOLBY DIGITAL) | 15 MINUTES |
| CINEMA-11 (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| CINEMA-12 | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| CINEMA-14 | THE POSSESSED |
| CINEMA-15 | EXIT WOUNDS |
| **LORES** | |
| CINEMA-2 | CLOSED |
| CINEMA-3 | CLOSED |
| **POWER PLANT CINEMA** | |
| CINEMA-1 | THE POSSESSED |
| CINEMA-2 | SPY KIDS |
| CINEMA-3 | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| CINEMA-4 | VALENTINE |
| CINEMA-5 | 15 MINUTES |
| CINEMA-6 | SPY KIDS |

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# Success stories should encourage participation in Star Cinema tilt

**VIEWFINDER**

*Nestor U. Torre*

GOOD news from Star Cinema: the movie studios's first scriptwriting competition has opened doors for some new screenwriters.

The first prize winner, "Jologs" by **Ned Trespeces,** will start shooting next month, under the direction of **Joyce Bernal**. And one of the 12 finalists, "The Videoke King" by **Ramon Sarmiento,** will be directed by **Jerry Sineneng**.

These success stories should motivate aspiring screenwriters to join the second Star Cinema scriptwriting contest, which has just been launched. Deadline for submission of entries is on Aug. 9. Call Star Cinema at 414-7820 and 415-2272, locals 3906 and 3926, for contest rules and regulations.

At stake are tax-free cash prizes: First place, P100,000; second place, P80,000; third place, P60,000, plus the chance to work with some of the country's best filmmakers.

## Awarding ceremonies

MEANWHILE, the awarding ceremonies for the Film Development Foundation of the Philippines' screenwriting competition for the year 2000 will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 25, at the foundation's offices at the CCP complex.

The competition for the year 2000 had a "Pelikulang Pambata" theme, hence all of the three top winners and the seven other finalists could be of interest to producers who want to make films for the youth and family markets.

Interested producers can get in touch with the foundation to take a look at any of the scripts submitted to the competition, to see if it's the sort of material they would want to film.

This comes just in time for the current shift in local filmmaking, from sexy to more wholesome and inspiring.

## TV treats

SUNDAY, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. on Channel V Int'l., "98 Degrees" follows the gorgeous lads of the singing group on the American performance tour. Replays are on Thursday, May 24 at 5 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 30 at 12:30 a.m.

At 9 p.m. on Star Movies, "The Sixth Sense" stars **Bruce Willis, Haley Joel Osment** and **Toni Colette**. Replays on May 25 at 8:15 p.m. and on May 31 at 9 p.m.

At 10 p.m., the National Geographic Channel chronicles an unprecedented expedition in "The Carribean Ring of Fire." The expedition studies the Soufriere on the island of Montserrat to determine if it presents a danger to the surrounding populace.

At 10 p.m. on Star World, "Star Trek: The Next Generation" enters its fourth season. Replays are on Mondays at 1:30 a.m.

Complete with a new, sleek Enterprise spaceship and a new crew (still led by Capt. Jean-Luc Picard, played by **Patrick Stewart**), the sci-fi show continues to explore new worlds in outer space and to seek out new life forms and civilizations.

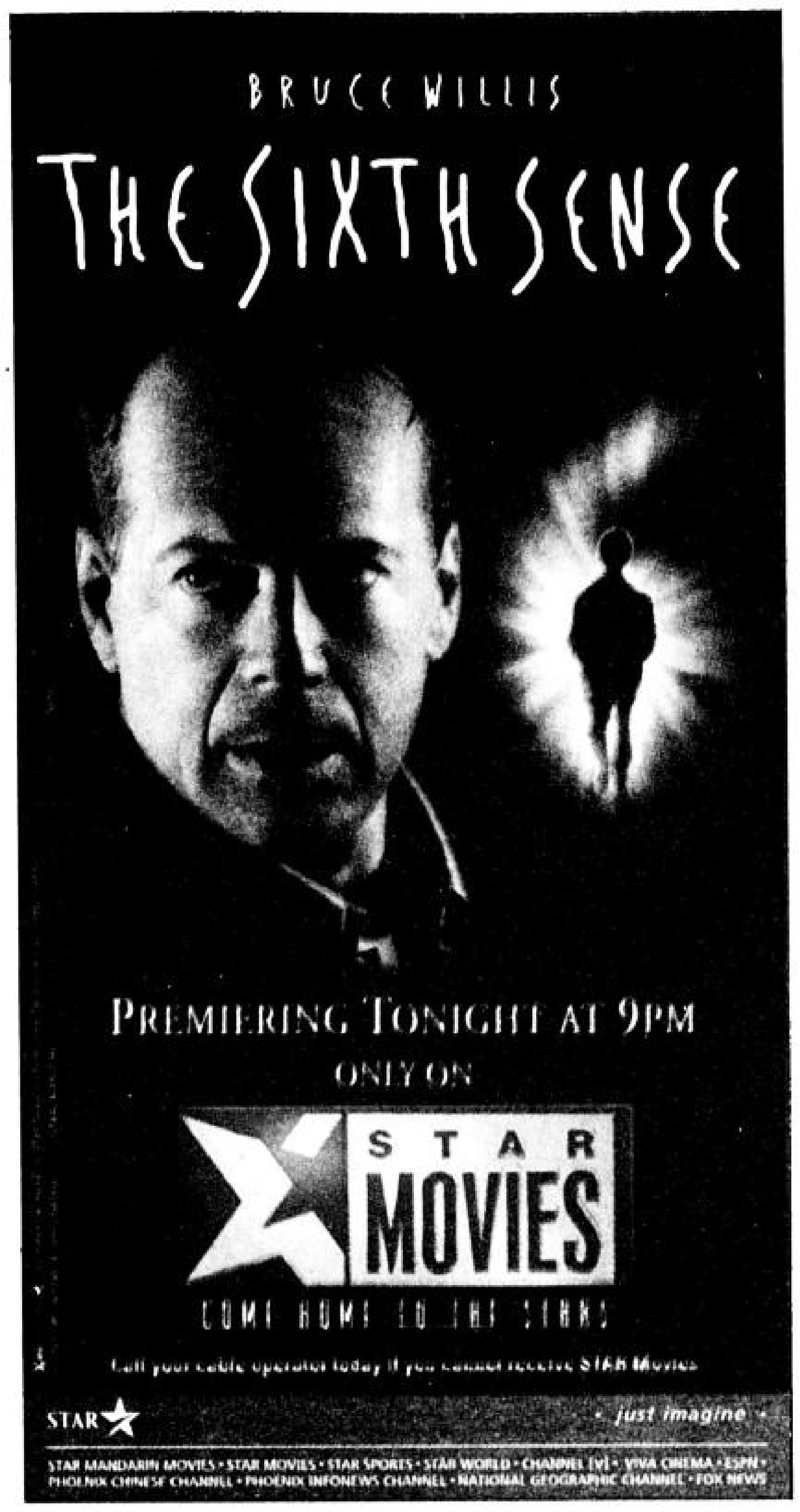
On Monday, May 21 at 9 p.m. on Star Movies, "What Rats Won't Do" stars **James Frain** and **Parker Posey**. Replay is on May 27 at 12:15 a.m.

The film is set in the archaic world of the English legal system. Two young barristers oppose each other in a high-profile case, and the sparks also fly outside the courtroom.

At 9 p.m. on the National Geographic Channel, "Conquering the Mountain (Quest for K2)" show the arduous preparations involved in a major climb. It also focuses on the consequences that have haunted the world's best mountaineers after trying to climb some particularly difficult peaks.

At 11 p.m. on the National Geographic Channel, "Personal Helicopter" showcases a flying machine that can carry one person for 30 minutes at 11 kms per hour.

The program includes other features: "Mail-Order Skin," an experiment using the post office to deliver laboratory-grown skin; "Folding Houses," reconstructing a home that can be packed into a shipping container; and "Fish Tagging," protecting an endangered species, and the people whose lives depend on fishing.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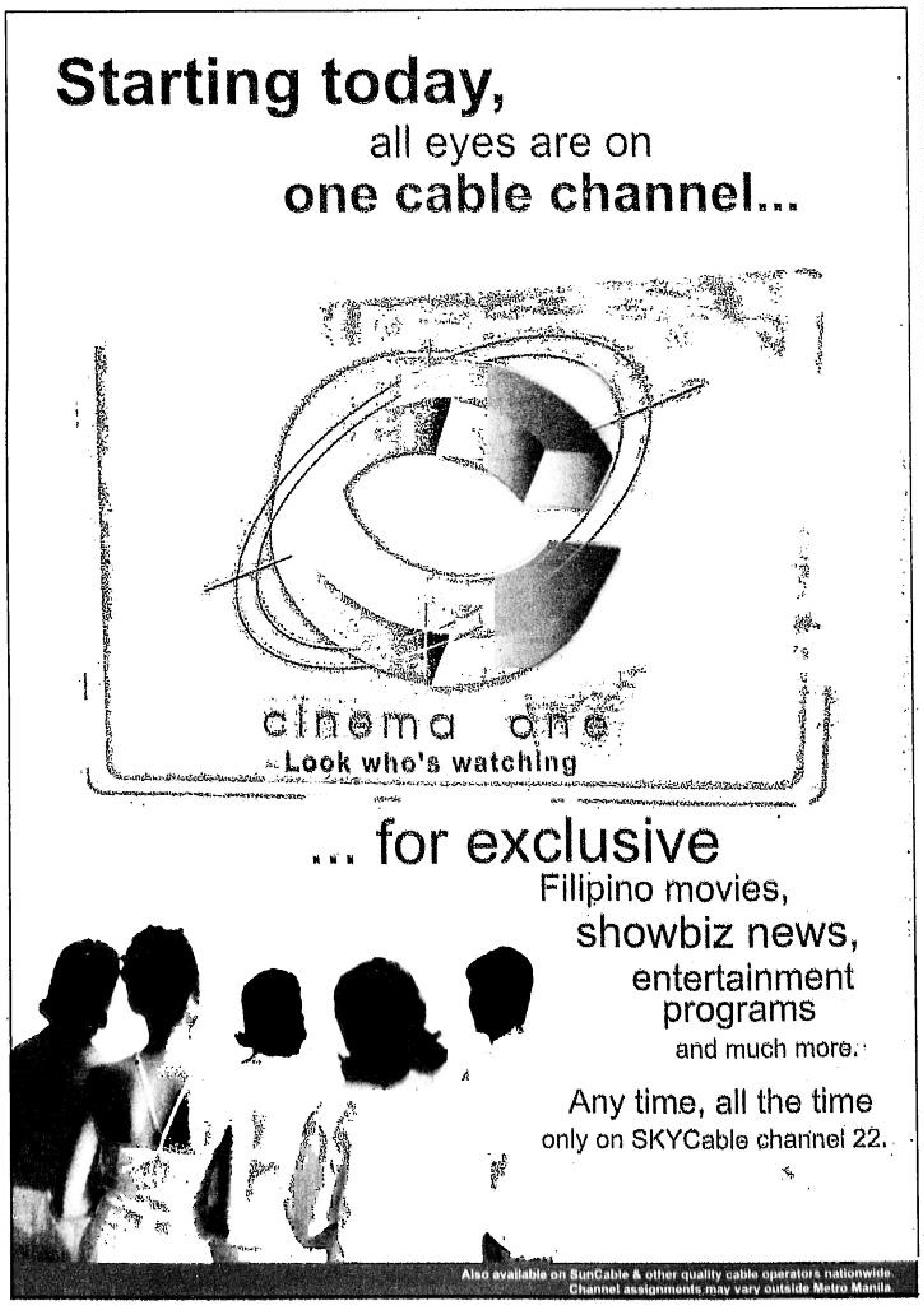
There are four Fashion TV channels, and a host of multicultural contents such as Arirang TV, iMBC, i2iMedia, and Intertent, among others.

This streaming multimedia content is made available on Infocom by SpeedCast, a leading Hong Kong-based broadband infrastructure company.

"With this new setup, all that a subscriber has to do is go to the Infocom homepage, click the Multimedia section, and there emerges a whole lineup of cable TV programs to choose from," said Melanie Tan, marketing manager for content and corporate affairs.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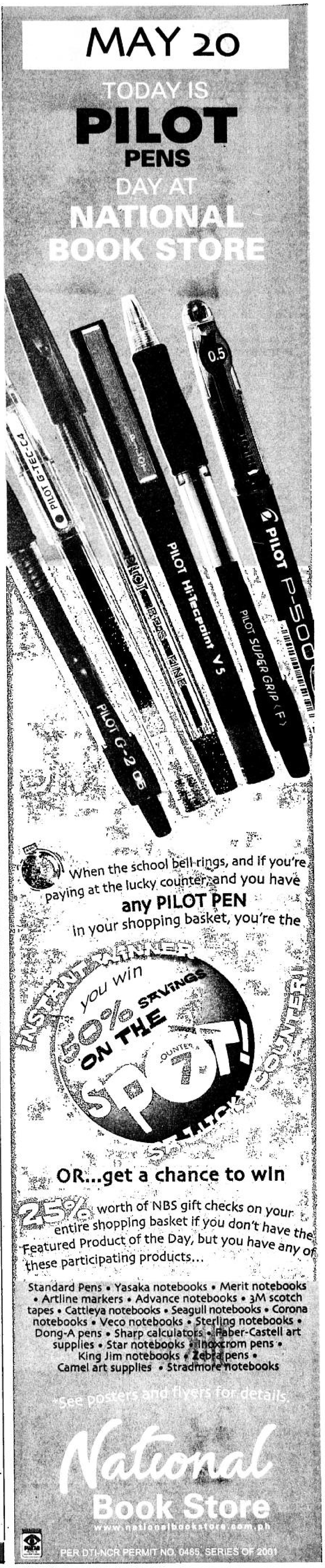

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# Sybil relives '80s party era

JOEY@92.3 FM recalls the memorable music of the '80s as it presents dance diva Sybil in a one-night-only engagement at the Captain's Bar of the Mandarin Oriental on Tuesday, May 22, starting at 9 p.m.

Sybil relives the party era through her show-stopping hits like "Make It Easy On Me," "Don't Make Me Over," "Walk on By," "The Love I Lost," "When I'm Good and Ready," and many more.

Tickets at P700, plus P350++ for the first standard drink, are now available at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel. Inquiries are welcome at 882-1NBC.

The special engagement is presented by Johnson's pH 5.5 and Shell-Citibank Mastercard.

For more information and updates, listen to Joey@92.3 FM.

SYBIL

## Sweet times again for Sugar Ray

SUGAR Ray, the Southern California-based quintet, has a new album called "Sugar Ray."

Sugar Ray's resident hearth-throb Mark McGrath and his merry band Craig "DJ Homicide" Bullock, Stan Frazier, Murphy Karges and Rodney Sheppard first made it big in the music scene with hits like "Every Morning" and "Someday" from their multi-platinum albums "Floored" and "14:59."

Produced by Don Gilmore, "Sugar Ray" has pop, punk, hip-hop and straight-ahead rock 'n' roll. It is slated for a June 12 release.

Warner Music Philippines announces the arrival of the new album through simultaneous airplay of its first single over radio stations Magic 89.9, 93.9 FC-FM, 97.1 LS-FM, 99.5 RT, 103.5 K-Lite and The Hive 100.3

Also participating are provincial stations Killer Bee Cebu, Davao, Zamboanga, Cagayan de Oro and Butuan, UR 105, Z100 Cebu, Campus Radio Bacolod, UR 97 Davao, UE 105 Zamboanga and Red Hot Mix-FM Davao.

The simultaneous air assault starts at 7 p.m.

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| 3 | DOLBY DIGITAL | VALENTINE |
| 4 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 5 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | DOLBY SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
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| 2 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 3 | DTS | VALENTINE |
| 4 | DOLBY SURROUND | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 5 | DOLBY DIGITAL | 15 MINNUTES |
| 6 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 8 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |
| 9 | DOLBY SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 10 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |

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| 2 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |
| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | SUGAR AND SPICE |
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| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
| 11 | DOLBY SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |

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| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
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| 8 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |
| 9 | DOLBY SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 11 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

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| 1 | ULTRA SURROUND | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| 2 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | DIVINO |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | POSSESSED |

| SM MEGAMALL | | 6331901 • 6329401 |
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| 11 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
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| SM CITY NORTH EDSA | | 9295452 |
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| 2 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 4 | DOLBY SURROUND | 15 MINUTES |
| 5 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 7 | DTS | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 8 | DOLBY DIGITAL | VALENTINE |
| 9 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 10 | DOLBY SURROUND | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 11 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | LUCKY NUMBERS |
| 12 | DOLBY SURROUND | THE MEXICAN |

| SM SOUTHMALL | | 8066888 • 8066782 |
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| 2 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | VALENTINE |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 7 | ULTRA SURROUND | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 8 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | 15 MINUTES |
| 9 | ULTRA SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 10 | ULTRA SURROUND | POSSESSED |

| TUTUBAN CENTER | | 2514302 |
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| 1 | ULTRA SURROUND | POSSESSED |
| 2 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | KAILANGAN KO'Y IKAW |
| 3 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 4 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |

| SM CEBU | | 2313876 |
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| 1 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 2 | ULTRA SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 3 | ULTRA SURROUND | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | DOLBY SURROUND | 3,000 MILES TO GRACELAND |

| SM ILOILO | | 3209422 |
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| 3 | ULTRA SURROUND | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 4 | ULTRA SURROUND | THE CROW |
| 5 | ULTRA SURROUND | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 6 | ULTRA SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 7 | ULTRA SURROUND | CLOSED |
| 8 | ULTRA SURROUND | HALIK NG SERENA |

| SM PAMPANGA | | 7128015 |
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| 2 | DOLBY DIGITAL EX | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 3 | DOLBY SURROUND | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 4 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | BALIKTARAN |
| 5 | SYNTHESIZED SURROUND | MINSAN MAY ISANG PUSO |
| 6 | DOLBY SURROUND | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

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| 2 VALENTINE | 2 15 MINUTES<br>in DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND | 6 SPY KIDS<br>in DTS/SDDS DIGITAL SOUND | 2 SPY KIDS<br>in SONY DYNAMIC DIGITAL SOUND | 2 SOMEONE LIKE YOU<br>in DSD DOLBY DIGITAL SOUND |
| 3 THE POSSESSED | 3 VALENTINE THX<br>in DSD/SDDS/DTS DIGITAL SOUND | 7 EXIT WOUNDS<br>in DTS DIGITAL SOUND | 3 SOMEONE LIKE YOU<br>in DOLBY STEREO DIGITAL SOUND | 3 VALENTINE<br>in DTS DIGITAL SOUND |
| 4 15 MINUTES | 4 THE CRIMSON RIVERS (Phil. Premiere)<br>in DTS DIGITAL SOUND<br>Art Film | | 4 MAY 18 - 19 MOTHER TONGUE<br>Onstage | 4 THE POSSESSED<br>in DTS DIGITAL SOUND |
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| 2 (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| 3 (DTS) | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 4 GOLD (DTS) | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 5 GOLD (DOLBY) | THE POSSESSED |
| 6 GOLD (SDDS) | DOUBLE TAKE |
| 7 GOLD (DOLBY) | VALENTINE |
| 8 ([illegible]) | BALIKTARAN |
| 9 ([illegible]) | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 10 ([illegible]) | 15 MINUTES |

**Pearl Plaza Cinemas**
(Parañaque) tel. 853.4486

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| 1 | PILAK |
| 2 | SAVE THE LAST DANCE |
| 3 (DTS) | THE MEXICAN |
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| 6 (DTS) | |
| Golden Pearl THX | |

**Masagana CINEMAX 1-2 & 3**
(Kalaw) tel 536.4315

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| 1 (DOLBY) | |
| 2 (DTS) | 15 MINUTES |
| 3 | THE GIFT |

**Masagana CINEMA 2000**
(Pasay) tel 831.6603

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | PILAK |
| 3 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Starmall Movies**
(Shaw Blvd.) tel 724.4986

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| 1 | CLOSED FOR RENOVATION |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | PILAK |
| 4 (DOLBY DIGITAL) | VALENTINE |
| 5 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Metropolis**
(Alabang) tel 543 4001

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 3 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 4 | RESERVE |
| 5 | POSSESSED |
| 6 | SPY KIDS |
| 7 | VALENTINE |
| 8 | PILAK |

**LOUIE'S CINEMA** THX
(Makati City) tel 751.2010/892 3349

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| 1 | VALENTINE |

**Center Plaza Cinema**
(Balanga, Bataan) tel (047) 237.7007

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| 1 | SWEET NOVEMBER |
| 2 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |

**FCM FAIRVIEW CENTER MALL, INC**
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| 1 | PILAK |
| 2 | ART OF WAR |
| 3 | GET CARTER |

**Spring**
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| 1 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |
| A | DIVINO ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**Sunshine**
(FTI, Taguig) tel 838.4301 loc. 3376

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| 1 | BALIKTARAN |
| 2 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA. |
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| 4 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**GOTESCO CINEMA**

**City**
(Manila) tel 734.8588

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| 2 | RESERVE |
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| 4 | BALIKTARAN |
| 5 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 6 | PILAK |
| 7 (DTS) | SOMEONE LIKE YOU |
| 8 (SDDS) | VALENTINE |
| 9 (DOLBY) | POSSESSED |

**Caloocan**
tel 362.3508

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| 2 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Grand Central**
(Caloocan) tel 364.3781

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| 1 | PILAK |
| 2 | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 4 (SDDS) | SPY KIDS |
| 5 | POSSESSED |
| 6 (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 7 (DTS) | VALENTINE |
| 8 | NARINIG MO NA BA ANG LATEST |
| 9 | RESERVE |

**Commonwealth**
tel 951.0083

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| 3 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 4 | BALIKTARAN |
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| 7 (DOLBY) | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 8 | PILAK |

**Ortigas**
tel 656.6795

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| 2 | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 (DTS) | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
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| 5 (SDDS) | EXIT WOUNDS |

**Universal**
(Manila) tel 733.2470

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| 1 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |

**Sampaguita**
(Cubao) tel 911.7888

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**Dilson**
(Manila) tel 734.7724

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**PARK PLACE** Mandaluyong
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| 3 | RESERVE |
| 4 | SPY KIDS |

**Prima**
(Pasig) tel 641 1215

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**Isetann Cinerama Complex Recto**
SUPER CINERAMA tel 733.4238

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**New Divisoria Mall**
CINEMA tel 244.4619

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| 1 | ORAS NA PARA LUMABAN |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
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| 4 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| 5 | RESERVE |
| 6 | KUNG LILIGAYA KA |

**Baclaran LRT**
CINEMA tel 512.0115

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**CINEMA 2000**

**Cinema 2000 Target Mall**
(Sta. Rosa Laguna)
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| 1 | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 2 | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 3 (DTS) | SPY KIDS |

**Cinema 2000 Waltermart**
(Calamba) tel (049) 545.7383

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| 1 | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 (DTS) | SUGAR & SPICE |
| 3 (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 4 | BALIKTARAN |

**Lianas Cinema**
(Alabang) tel 850.1276

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| 1 (SDDS) | VALENTINE |
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| 3 | SPY KIDS |
| 4 (DTS) | PILAK |

**Lianas MovieCity**
(Calamba) tel (049) 545.7202

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| 1 (DOLBY) | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | BALIKTARAN |
| 3 (DTS) | ANTI TRUST |
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| 5 | ATTACK FORCE |

**Olivarez Tri-Cinema**
(Biñan) tel (049) 511.8883

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| 1 | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | SUGAR & SPICE |

**Olivarez Los Baños**
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| 1 | ANTI TRUST |
| 2 | SPY KIDS |
| 3 | WEDDING PLANNER |

**Olivarez Tagaytay**
tel (046) 413.0311

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| 1 | PURPLE STORM |
| 2 | WEDDING PLANNER |
| 3 | DIVINO ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |

**Morales Cinema**
(Biñan) tel (049) 511 9736

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| 1 | SPY KIDS |
| 2 | ANTI TRUST |
| 3 | EXTREME WARRIORS |

**Cabuyao**
(Laguna City) tel (049) 531.4808

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| 1 (DTS) | EXTREME WARRIORS |
| 2 (DTS) | RESERVE |

**Fourstep**
(Cavite) tel (046) 416.2385

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| 1 | EXIT WOUNDS |

**Emperor**
(Rosario Cavite) tel (046) 438.1657

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| 1 | DIVINO, ANAK NI TOTOY MOLA |
| 2 | EXIT WOUNDS |
| 3 | BALIKTARAN |

**Fiesta World Mall**
(Lipa) tel (043) 981.0790

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| 2 | LUCKY NUMBERS |
| 3 | SAY IT ISN'T SO |
| 4 | SUGAR & SPICE |

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# Success stories should encourage participation in Star Cinema tilt

VIEWFINDER

*Nestor U. Torre*

GOOD news from Star Cinema: the movie studios's first scriptwriting competition has opened doors for some new screenwriters.

The first prize winner, "Jologs" by **Ned Trespeces**, will start shooting next month, under the direction of **Joyce Bernal**. And one of the 12 finalists, "The Videoke King" by **Ramon Sarmiento**, will be directed by **Jerry Sineneng**.

These success stories should motivate aspiring screenwriters to join the second Star Cinema scriptwriting contest, which has just been launched. Deadline for submission of entries is on Aug. 9. Call Star Cinema at 414-7820 and 415-2272, locals 3906 and 3926, for contest rules and regulations.

At stake are tax-free cash prizes: First place, P100,000; second place, P80,000; third place, P60,000, plus the chance to work with some of the country's best filmmakers.

## Awarding ceremonies

MEANWHILE, the awarding ceremonies for the Film Development Foundation of the Philippines' screenwriting competition for the year 2000 will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 25, at the foundation's offices at the CCP complex.

The competition for the year 2000 had a "Pelikulang Pambata" theme, hence all of the three top winners and the seven other finalists could be of interest to producers who want to make films for the youth and family markets.

Interested producers can get in touch with the foundation to take a look at any of the scripts submitted to the competition, to see if it's the sort of material they would want to film.

This comes just in time for the current shift in local filmmaking, from sexy to more wholesome and inspiring.

## TV treats

SUNDAY, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. on Channel V Int'l., "98 Degrees" follows the gorgeous lads of the singing group on the American performance tour. Replays are on Thursday, May 24 at 5 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 30 at 12:30 a.m.

At 9 p.m. on Star Movies, "The Sixth Sense" stars **Bruce Willis, Haley Joel Osment** and **Toni Colette.** Replays on May 25 at 8:15 p.m. and on May 31 at 9 p.m.

At 10 p.m., the National Geographic Channel chronicles an unprecedented expedition in "The Carribean Ring of Fire." The expedition studies the Soufriere on the island of Montserrat to determine if it presents a danger to the surrounding populace.

At 10 p.m. on Star World, "Star Trek: The Next Generation" enters its fourth season. Replays are on Mondays at 1:30 a.m.

Complete with a new, sleek Enterprise spaceship and a new crew (still led by Capt. Jean-Luc Picard, played by **Patrick Stewart**), the sci-fi show continues to explore new worlds in outer space and to seek out new life forms and civilizations.

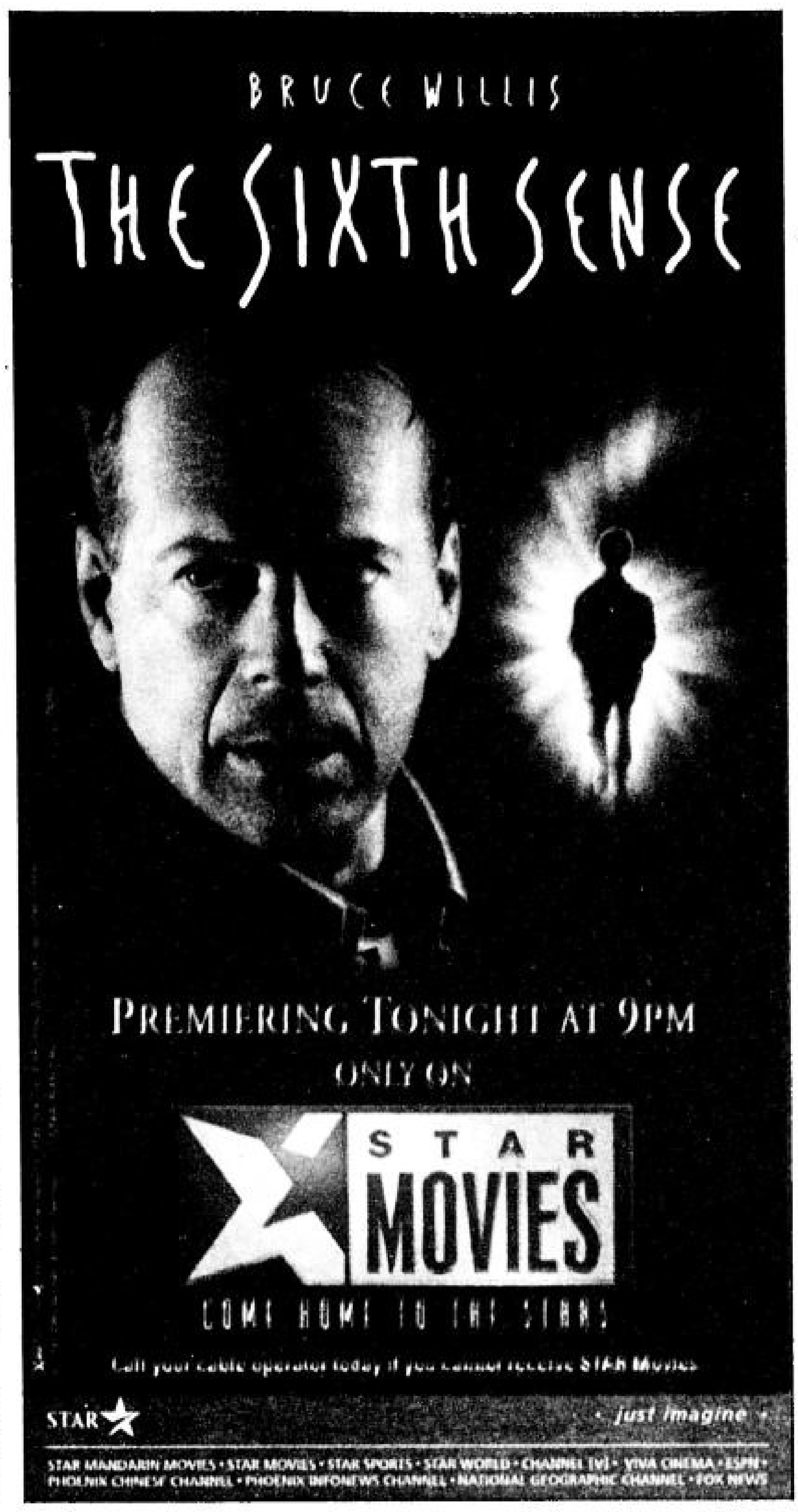
On Monday, May 21 at 9 p.m. on Star Movies, "What Rats Won't Do" stars **James Frain** and **Parker Posey**. Replay is on May 27 at 12:15 a.m.

The film is set in the archaic world of the English legal system. Two young barristers oppose each other in a high-profile case, and the sparks also fly outside the courtroom.

At 9 p.m. on the National Geographic Channel, "Conquering the Mountain (Quest for K2)" show the arduous preparations involved in a major climb. It also focuses on the consequences that have haunted the world's best mountaineers after trying to climb some particularly difficult peaks.

At 11 p.m. on the National Geographic Channel, "Personal Helicopter" showcases a flying machine that can carry one person for 30 minutes at 11 kms per hour.

The program includes other features: "Mail-Order Skin," an experiment using the post office to deliver laboratory-grown skin; "Folding Houses," reconstructing a home that can be packed into a shipping container; and "Fish Tagging," protecting an endangered species, and the people whose lives depend on fishing.



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# Hotdog's Dennis Garcia writes a 'protest song'

**By Tina Arceo-Dumlao**

DENNIS Garcia's children came up to him one day and said they were no longer going to listen to Original Pilipino Music because of some of the popular songs hitting the airwaves.

Garcia, one of the purveyors of the Manila Sound through the popular Hotdog band, was shocked and disheartened. But he was inspired at the same time.

He sat down and after just 30 minutes, came up with a new song he called "Heaven Sent."

He calls it a "protest song" against meaningless songs with double meanings and which are heard every day by listeners just like his children.

"This song is special because I feel that it's an inspiring love song," Garcia explains. "It is the result of a convergence of emotions because I wrote it when my mom was sick and when my kids told me that they were turning away from OPM forever."

Instead of having double meanings like other popular songs these days, "Heaven Sent" simply talks about a person finding a kind of love that lasts forever.

The song goes: "*You gave wings to my heart, felt it from the start/ Heaven sent, that's what you are/ You brought joy to my life, never ending delight/ And I swear, heaven sent, that's what you are.*"

Garcia was so inspired by the song that he sent it to the Metropop Song Festival. It was his first entry to the Metropop and it ended up as one of the 12 finalists. He chose Saison and friends, made up of US-based Ella May Saison, two of her siblings and some of the country's foremost R&B singers, to interpret the song in the competition.

"Winning was not what I had in mind when I submitted the song to Metropop," Gacia says. "I just thought of entering it in the competition to help raise the standards of songwriting."

Hotdog band, formed with his brother Rene in 1974, is considered the brains behind the Manila Sound. Its major hit was "Ikaw ang Miss Universe" inspired by the beauty contest fever that swept the country that year when the Miss Universe pageant was held in Manila.

The band's other hits include "Pers Lab," "Annie Batungbakal," "Bongga Ka, 'Day" and "Manila."

For its contribution to the development of Filipino music, Hotdog was the first group to be honored with the Antonio C. Barreiro lifetime achievement award by the Metropop last year.

Garcia's skills were not confined to Hotdog. He also wrote "Sa Isip Ko" for Agot Isidro, "Ikaw Pa Rin" for Tito Mina and "O Lumapit Ka" for former Hotdog lead female vocalist Ella del Rosario.

Garcia is also called on to produce musical scores and theme songs. Two years ago he won awards from the Film Academy of the Philippines for best theme and best musical score for the movie "Pusong Mamon" starring Eric Quizon and Albert Martinez.

Songwriting, however, is just his "other job." His main job is as executive creative director of the advertising firm FCB Worldwide, where he is in charge of artwork, copy and jingles. He even composes jingles for his company, but at extra cost.

As he says, "It's another talent."

**SOUND MAN.** Garcia says his songfest entry is meant to raise songwriting standards.

# Imelda Papin sings a song of victory in Bicol

**By Juan Escandor Jr.**
*PDI Southern Luzon Bureau*

**NAGA CITY—Unlike other show biz personalities who lost in the May 14 elections, Imelda Papin is singing all the way to victory.**

As of Thursday, Papin was leading by 21,000 votes in an unofficial count in the vice gubernatorial race in Camarines Sur. Her opponent is lawyer Emmanuel F. Llaguno, a nephew of former Speaker Arnulfo Fuentebella.

But while Papin is already sure of reelection, actress Nora Aunor is having a dismal performance in the race for governor.

Aunor's opponent, reelectionist Gov. Luis Villafuerte, posted an insurmountable lead, according to the National Movement for Free Elections count in 30 towns and two cities. Villafuerte had 105,050 votes while Aunor drew only 41,778. He even won by 2,874 votes over Aunor in Iriga City, her birthplace.

During the campaign, Papin sang her hits from the '70s and '80s, including the jukebox and radio classic ``Isang Linggong Pag-ibig."

Papin first made it to the top of the hits when her song "Babaing Makasalanan, Lalaking Salawahan" became the No. 1 single in 1978.

Her other hit singles inspired movies —"Mahal, Saan Ka Nanggaling Kagabi?," "Bawal," "Pag-ibig Bakit Ka Ganyan" and "Lalaki, Ikaw and Dahilan."

Papin herself starred in "Lalaki . . ." with Roel Vergel de Dios. In "Mahal. . ." she played a supporting role to Susan Roces and Fernando Poe Jr.

The songs brought her the undisputed title "Jukebox Queen."

But Papin said she won also because her political machinery was reinforced when she decided to ally herself with Villafuerte last year.

In 1998, she won by a margin of about 80,000 votes when she ran under the Lakas-NUCD, which challenged Villaruerte's Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino. She became the top opposition leader in Villafuerte's administration.

But the opposition role proved to be unproductive, she said. From 1998 to 1999, she said, her projects could not take off because she could not even talk with Villafuerte.

In most instances, her initiatives were opposed by the governor's office.

She said she was convinced that there was no other way to improve her performance but to "kiss and make up" with Villafuerte last year. She joined the LDP.

Since joining the LDP, Papin has portrayed herself as an advocate of children's rights and welfare. She solicited donations from Australia and conducted milk feeding programs for poor and malnourished children several months before the May election period.

Papin is the second of the nine children of a poor couple from the remote coastal village of Bitaogan in Presentacion, Camarines Sur. She went to Manila in the early '70s, joined the Miss Philippines beauty contest, and became a recording artist.

Papin said she supported all her brothers and sister until they all graduated from college.

She said her winning is "destiny."

# New Discovery appointments announced

DISCOVERY Networks Intl. (DNI), the global programming and distribution division of Discovery Communications Inc., announced the appointment of two top management positions for its Singapore-based Asia-Pacific operations.

Effective immediately, media industry veteran Neville Meijers is managing director of Discovery Networks Asia (DNA). He will be based in Singapore with supervision of all Discovery business strategy throughout the Asia-Pacific region, including affiliate and advertising sales, programming, on- and off-air marketing and communications.

DNI president Dawn McCall, to whom Meijers will report, made the announcement.

With extensive experience in Asia, Meijers joins Discovery from M-WEB/ MIH, based in Beijing, China, where he was chief executive officer since 1999. Previously, he was chief operations officer for UBC, Thai-land's largest pay television operator. He also held senior management positions at International Broadcasting Corp. and Multichoice Group in Thailand.

He began his career at M-Net in South Africa and held subsequent positions in the Netherlands and Turkey.

Reporting to Meijers, Tom Keaveny has been appointed to the newly created post of senior vice president of sales and revenue for Discovery Networks Asia.

Based in Singapore, Keaveny will oversee affiliate sales and relations, international program sales and advertising sales for Discovery's business in the Asia-Pacific region. He was previously vice president, affiliate sales and marketing, for Discovery Networks Europe in London. Prior to joining Discovery, Keaveny was with Eurosport.

Discovery Networks Asia, the Singapore-based division of DNI, comprises four high-quality brands: the Discovery Channel, Animal Planet, Discovery Kids and Discovery Health. The Discovery Channel, the region's premiere non-fiction cable and satellite network, reaches more than 57 million subscribers in seven languages throughout Asia and the Pacific Rim.

# Mossimo sponsors 'Head Over Heels' premiere

MOSSIMO will be sponsoring the Philippine premiere of Mark Waters' "Head over Heels" on June 1, Friday, at Glorietta 4 Cinema 6 starting at 8 p.m.

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# The thin line . . .

(From page A29)

### Nerve-racking

Roden's portrayal of Emil is exceptional. You're left on the edge of your seat just watching him talk to a potential victim, knowing that murder is just around the corner. In some scenes where he is shown taking long drags on a cigarette, his beady eyes and partly silhouetted, sweaty bald pate alone appear to evoke the essence of sadism. The fact that he and Oleg are newcomers really works for the film.

A New York City cop isn't much of a stretch for De Niro and so he fills the part nicely. I couldn't think of a better actor playing Eddie. His partnership with Burns comes off as very charismatic, and it's a credit to Burns that he doesn't fade away alongside De Niro's character, ably transcending the sidekick bit to carry the movie to its nerve-racking conclusion.

"15 Minutes" is a striking social commentary about what's wrong with America today. If we pay close attention, there might just be a few lessons for us too.

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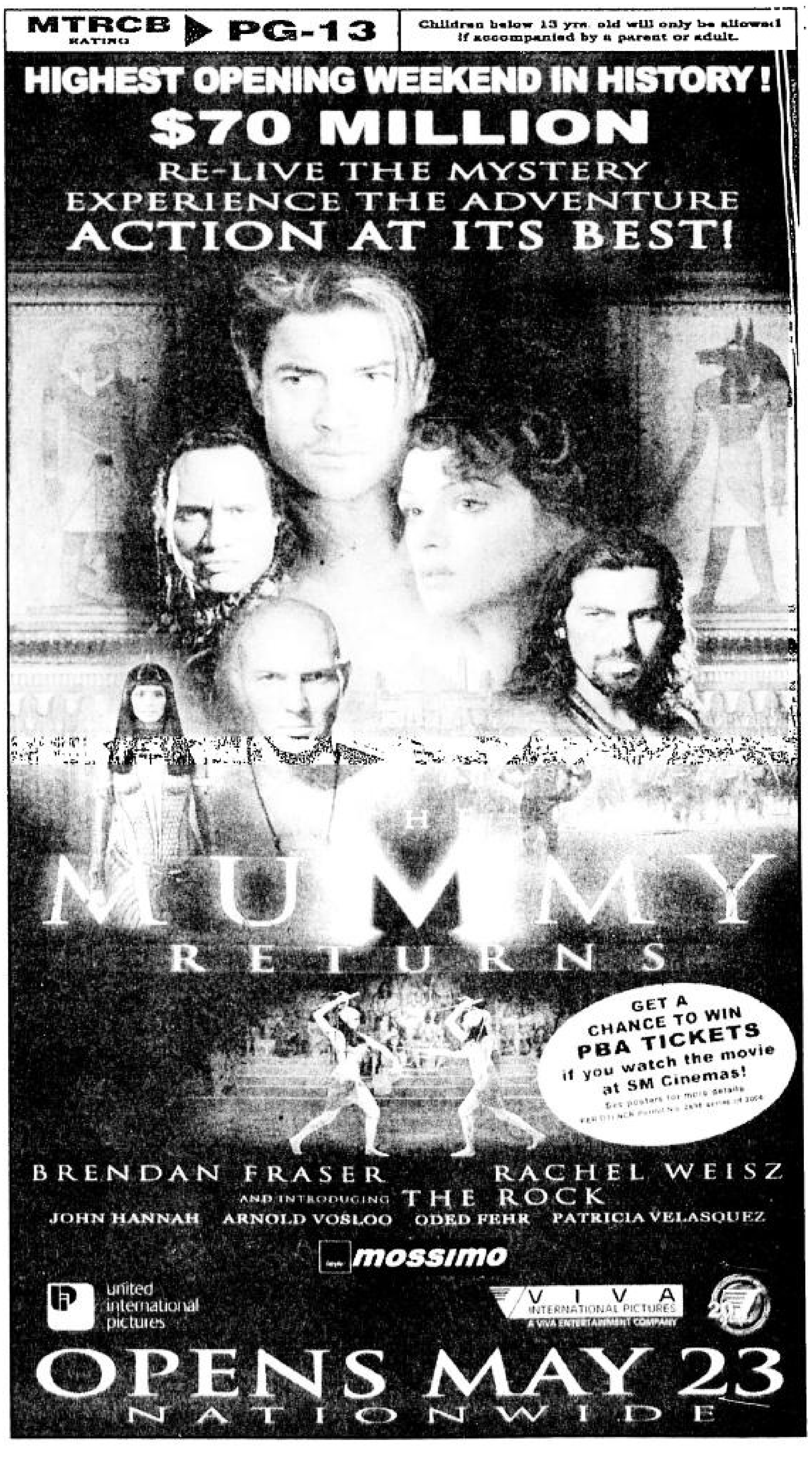

# ENTERTAINMENT

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## '15 MINUTES'

# The thin line between information and manipulation

BY RUBEN M. CRUZ JR.

**REVIEW**

NOT too long ago, the presidential pardon of priest killer Norberto Manero created such a media ruckus that some enterprising movie producers thought buying the film rights to the convict's life story would be a good gamble.

The producers reconsidered soon after the adverse public opinion over Manero's release turned against them as well. And after then-President Estrada recalled Manero's pardon and sent him back to jail—much to the approval of his administration's critics—all plans of producing the Manero biopic were shelved for good.

I mention this only to point out that the theme of "15 Minutes" —the media's ability to influence the public and make celebrities of ordinary people, whether deserving or undeserving—is just as relevant to Philippine society as it is to the American celebrity culture that the film criticizes.

I feel we do not have yet the American public's appetite for what would generally be construed as reality-based but morally depraved TV shows like "The Jerry Springer Show" and "Survivor." But we're probably at par with the Americans, and in some ways have even outdone them, as far as media pervasiveness goes.

What could one say, for instance, about the fact that for the second consecutive election season, the top vote-getter for senator is another national TV news anchor, who happens to work for the same popular TV network?

For invasion of privacy, how about a radio reporter interviewing the late Leo Echegaray's embalmer and asking him all kinds of lurid questions about the procedure that was about to be performed on the death convict's body, hours before his execution, all for the sake of public information.

"15 Minutes" delivers a compelling message about the thin line that divides public information and the people's manipulation, which its writer and director John Herzfeld deftly weaves into the most exciting suspense story to hit local screens this year.

### Creepy villains

The movie introduces two of the creepiest villains in contemporary thrillers—not because they're as real as, say, Jack The Ripper, but because of the frightening prospect that they can be.

Oleg (Oleg Taktarov) and Emil (Karel Roden) are two seemingly ordinary thugs from Eastern Europe who get a generous taste of what it is like to live in America when they go hunting for an ex-partner in crime who's hiding in New York City.

"It's a country where anyone can be anything," says Oleg. They find out that in America, even serial killers can become millionaires by selling their life stories to a media obsessed with getting a scoop and presenting reality even at its grossest.

Enthralled by daytime talk shows featuring America's trash culture, Emil arrives at a second important realization: In America, everybody's a victim of something. "I love America. No one is responsible for what they do," he says, recognizing how easy it is to have a psychiatric excuse to commit murder.

Armed with a digital camera, the two set out to document their killing spree with the intention of selling the TV/book/movie rights to the snuff for a million dollars, and then pleading insanity before the courts to escape prosecution. "Who else but crazy men would film their crimes?" Emil reasons.

### Unlikely partnership

Up against them are veteran homicide cop Eddie Fleming (Robert De Niro) and young, idealistic arson-investigator Jody Warsaw (Edward Burns). Eddie is a celebrity in his own right. He's a good cop, whose successful exploits on the streets have been amply covered by the media, making him a hero of sorts and the face behind the New York City police department.

He strikes an unlikely, cross-department partnership with the capable but somewhat naïve Jody, who gets involved in Oleg and Emil's case because of the latter's penchant for starting fires.

Herzfeld's screenplay presents America's media culture in a very matter-of-fact tone, showing both its good and bad effects on good and bad people. Even the no-nonsense Jody, who is at first bothered by Eddie's fame, is made to understand that the media can be a powerful ally.

"Every little bit of fame I get makes it easier for me to do my job," Eddie tells Jody.

Like Eddie, most of the characters in the movie are a study in contrasts. Even Oleg and Emil are not painted as one-dimensional villains. We see, for instance, Oleg's childlike wonder for the arts and his innocent but clever treatment of their gruesome documentary project. Emil, who perpetrates most of the violence, is almost remorseful, and this makes him look more menacing.

### Cunning performance

But for real contrast, watch out for Kelsey Grammer of "Frasier" who portrays TV anchor Robert Hawkins, friend of Eddie and host of "Top Story," a popular news program with a tabloid take on the news. Confronted by a new producer (a cameo by Kim Catral) who wants to broaden the format of his show, he dismisses her with a vehement, "If it bleeds, it leads!"

One is inclined to immediately dismiss Hawkins as one of those sleazy types, but the nuances of the character and Grammer's cunning performance keep us second-guessing.

The contradictory characters perfectly complement the unpredictability of the movie and the snazzy editing by Steven Cohen further heightens the tension we feel.

Herzfeld, through the help of French cinematographer Jean Yves Escoffier, creates a look for the movie that's brimming with kinetic appeal. One is left waiting for violence to erupt even during seemingly comic moments, of which the movie has many.

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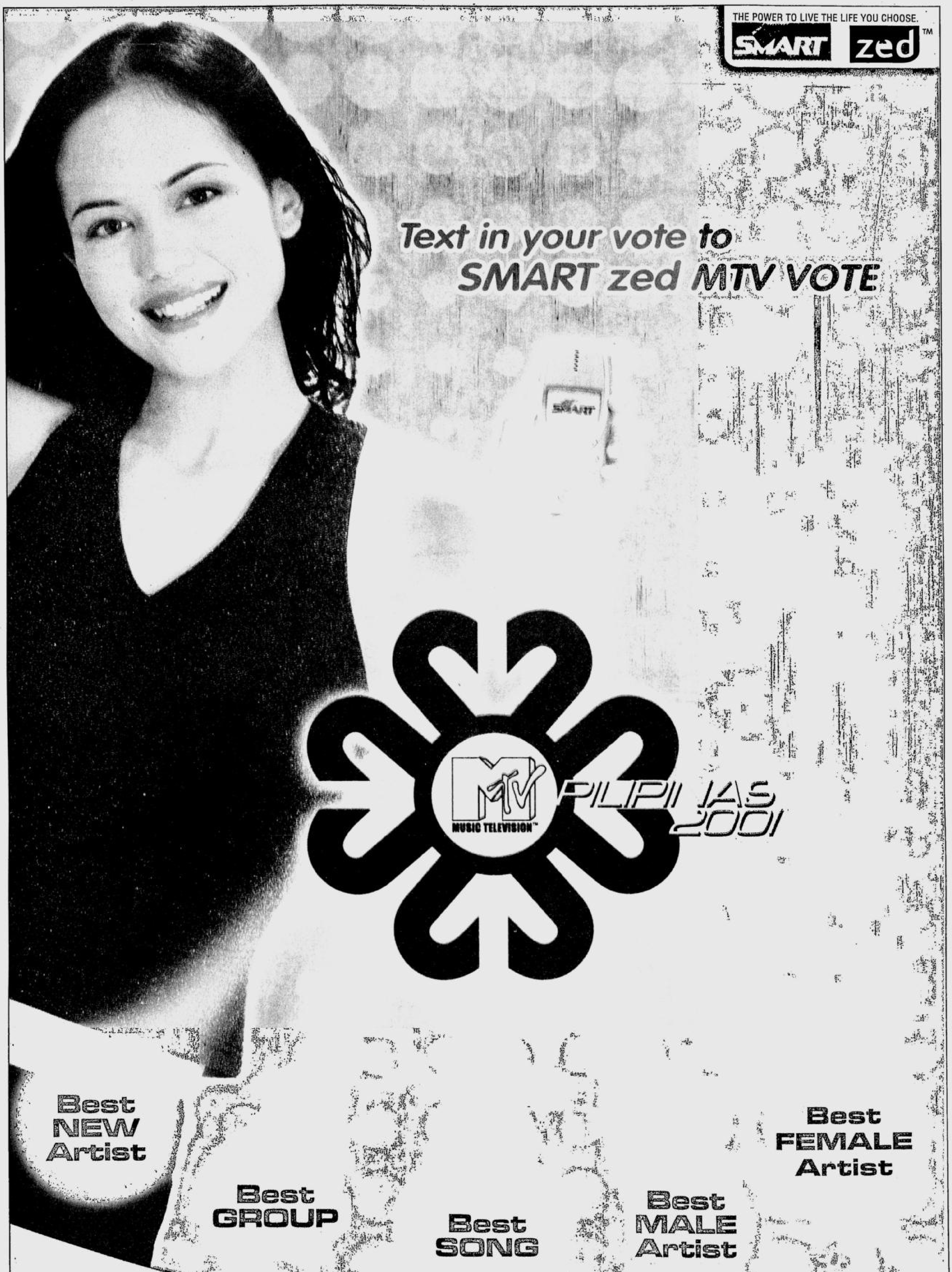
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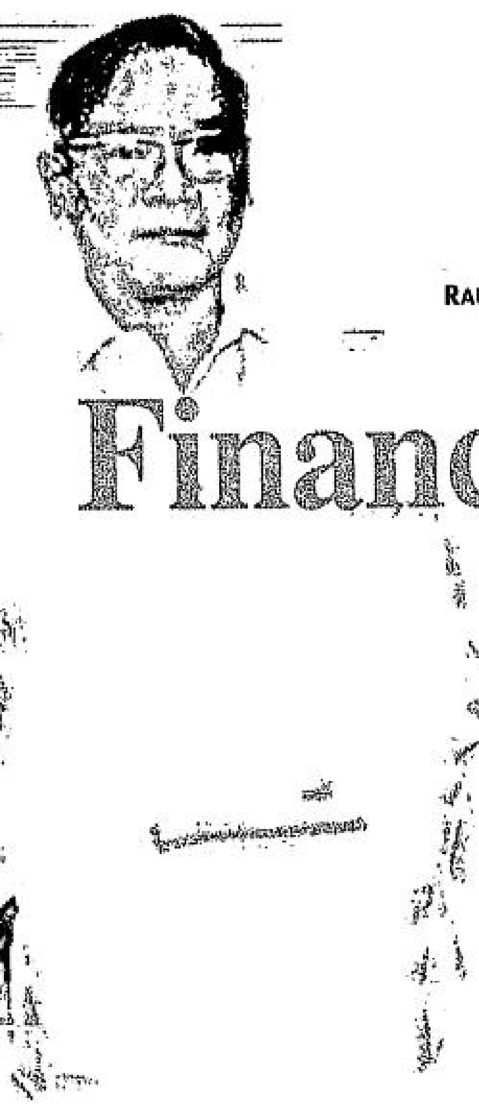


FORMER CB Governor Jaime C. Laya

BY JUSTINO DORMIENDO

**AT THE top of the agency tasked to systematize national efforts in promoting culture and the arts is a man totally immersed in the business world.**

A certified public accountant by profession, Jaime C. Laya is chair of the country's third largest auditing and consulting firm, Laya Mananghaya & Co., and with over 700 clients in its fold, LMC is the Philippine-member firm of KPMG International.

His impressive track record as business executive and financial manager extends over a career that covers banking, economics, fiscal management, education and now culture and the arts. He was Central Bank governor and before that, was head of the Philippine National Bank.

Today he is chair of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts.

The son of the late Juan C. Laya, renowned educator and writer, and Silvina, a historian, Laya grew up in an artistic environment nurtured by solid work ethic. But he opted to pursue an accounting course at the University of the Philippines. Graduating magna cum laude at the age of 18 way back in 1957, he landed on his first job as assistant instructor of Business Administration in UP, where he rose to be the assistant to the president for finance and development and professor of Business Administration.

After finishing his M.S. in Industrial Management (Georgia Institute of Technology) and his Ph.D. in finance (Stanford University), he became Dean of the UP College of Business Administration, a post he held for seven years.

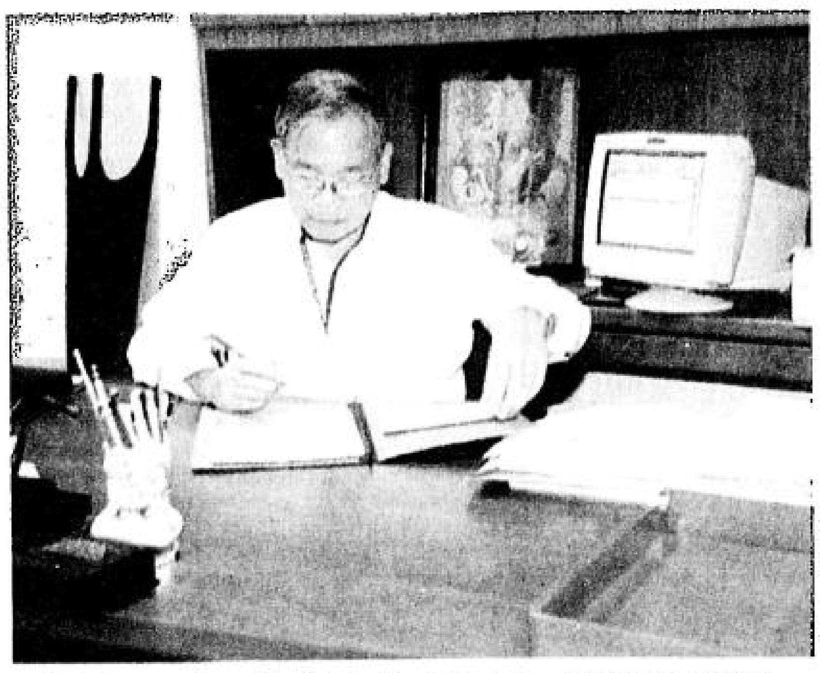
Laya later joined the government as deputy director general of Neda, then Central Bank deputy governor in charge of bank supervision and eventually chair of the Monetary Board, then as minister of budget and member of Batasang Pambansa, and finally as minister of education, culture and sports.

Laya's transfer to the education department was actually some sort of gray mark in his career. The move was prompted by the discovery that he overstated the balance of payments of the country by $600 million during the last years of the Marcos era, creating a pretty picture of the Philippine economy, despite the fact that it was on the brink of collapse by then.

## Cultural exposures

Before retiring from government service in 1986 at age 47, he had behind him a great deal of first-hand exposure in culture and the arts. He strengthened the fine arts collections of the UP College of Business Administration and the Ministry of Budget, oversaw the restoration of the Intramuros Walls and the design and construction of the unique Plaza San Luis while head of the Intramuros Administration.

He single-handedly formed the painting and gold collection of the Central Bank of the Philippines, the best of its kind. He also saw the redesigning of paper money and currency to feature Philippine themes (Philippine eagle, World War II heroes) and was involved with various culture-related NGOs, including the Philippine Association of Museums, Bayanihan Folk Arts Association, Opera Guild of the Philippines and the Friends of National Museum.



When he was elected NCCA chair in 1996, having become head of the Committee on Monuments and Sites and of the Subcommission on Cultural Heritage, Laya brought in managerial concepts and his well-honed financial savvy to an artistic environment.

## Chaotic agency

At the time, the NCCA, formerly the Presidential Commission for Culture and the Arts created by President Corazon Aquino in 1987, was a chaotic government agency with casually defined priorities and ad hoc processes. Conceptualized as an agency where volunteer artists worked for free in the interest of advancing Philippine culture and the arts, preserving our cultural heritage, advocating the welfare and culture of the cultural communities, and cultural dissemination, it didn't always work as planned.

The available funds were in effect divided equally among the various fields of arts and culture and the share of each sector frequently supported pet projects of the volunteers. Outsiders with what were referred to as "walk-in" projects had the feeling that they were competing for what was left. It took at least three months before projects were acted upon and red tape was heavy.

Today, with Laya at the helm and Virgilio Almario as executive director, the NCCA has reengineered itself. Where funds were equally divided, the NCCA now has carefully thought out and announced priorities. Special auditing rules for culture and arts projects were approved by the Commission on Audit as an exception to the general rule. More and more grants are being given to regional groups. A competitive grants program is in place.

Working with the cultural agencies of government, volunteers who serve on NCCA committees, and culture and arts organizations and individual artists and cultural workers, the NCCA has become more active in the design and implementation.

In the last few years, the NCCA has mounted projects as "Sambayan," a nationwide festival of Filipino artistic creation, "Dayaw," a week-long festival of the traditional arts at the Luneta, "Tipong Pinoy," a television program for school children, "Diwa," a soon-to-be-released 13-episode television series depicting the lives of ordinary Filipinos from about 1425 to the 1960s, and a more active program in cultural heritage conservation.

Culture and arts book collections are being formed in some 140 public and school libraries throughout the country.

## Arts and management

Laya finds the NCCA interesting, as its design requires calls for artists and managers to work together. By nature, artists tend to be individualists and focused on artistic creation. They sometimes ignore such mundane matters like money and accountability. Managers, on the other hand, have to be sensitive to accountabilities, value for money spent priorities.

He explains, "Management means getting things done through people. An individual needs only to manage his time when he works alone. The moment two or more people are needed to accomplish a task, then some element of people management has to come in."

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# Realtor helps other women have better lives

BY ELENA R. TORRIJOS

**EVEN as a child, real estate broker Teresita Bermudez Choa has always felt the need to participate in the enhancement of life.**

At nine, she became a girl scout and went up the ranks to become a senior scout then a ranger scout, learning to tie knots and make camp along the way.

"I was trained very early, in scouting, for service," Choa points out. "Ever since I was a young girl, I always envisioned my mission involved having an impact on the youth."

She did not lose her passion for service. Even now, she is still a member of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines but expanded her wings to include activities that involve women and help them improve their plight.

### Soroptomist

Choa does this through Soroptomist International, a United Kingdom-based organization composed of 110,000 female professionals, managers and entrepreneurs. SI gives several awards to women who distinguish themselves, make a difference in their communities or provides programs that focus on advancing the interests of women.

As governor or head of SI Philippine Region, she coordinates with over 83 SI clubs nationwide. These clubs, including SI Makati where she is a member, typically have "adopt a barangay" projects where SI's six concerns—economic and social development, education, environment, health, human rights and international goodwill—are addressed.

SI Mandaluyong, on the other hand, put up a mini-training center that trains 12 women at a time in high-speed sewing and finds them employment, while SI Caloocan developed a quilt-making project that has become so successful that the group got orders from Bloomingdale's.

On her own, she helped provide for the education of children of some of the women in the barangay adopted by SI Makati.

"It gives you such a nice feeling knowing you're part of someone's growth," she says.

### Fund raiser

Choa, however, is known not just for her outreach activities. She is also known for her skills in raising funds and for thinking fast on her feet.

TERESITA CHOA ROGER CARPIO

Friends describe Choa, a widow with four grown sons, as someone who makes and acts on decisions fast, even her decision to get married.

She was just 21 when Tes, whose family hails from Baguio, decided to tie the knot with 39-year-old David Choa, just six weeks after they first met.

Her husband settled down with her in Manila and he subsequently joined former Central Bank Governor Jobo Fernandez in founding Far East Bank and Trust Co. Choa, on the other hand, supervised her family's estate and engaged in real estate brokerage.

With her husband gone and her children all grown up, she has more time on her hands for her various civic organizations. Aside from the girl scouts associations and SI, other organizations in which she plays an active role include Friends of the Cultural Center of the Philippines and Mother Earth Foundation.

When she's not busy attending to her civic duties, Choa spends a traditional Sunday lunch with her children and grandchildren. On Tuesdays, she goes ballroom dancing in Club Filipino and once in a while she swims in the pool at her home in Greenhills West, San Juan.

Choa also gets satisfaction from her career as a specialized property broker. She buys old houses, renovates them and then sells them.

### Buy and sell

"I really enjoy buying an old house, redoing the whole thing and selling it," she says. "The beauty of this job is I can be as lazy or as rushed and tense as I choose to because it's my own time."

She's currently working on a house in Baguio that was owned by late actor and former Philippine Ambassador to the Netherlands Rogelio de la Rosa. She plans to totally overhaul the drainage, plumbing, electricity and flooring but bring back the façade's 1950s look with custom-built materials for the feel of authenticity.

She says she got her boundless energy and attitude from her mother, who is still up and about at 90. Choa says she is not surprised when she suddenly gets a call from her mother asking her to pick her up at the bus station.

The daughter believes that like her mother, a member of Zonta and other clubs, she will pursue her passions for many, many more years to come. For Choa, there is always something precious and valuable around us. Whether people or property, these can be developed.

# Finance whiz . . .

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The work of a manager is different from that of an artist. A management task involves planning, organizing and controlling. An artist, on the other hand, creates—be it a theater piece, a literary work, or a visual art object. Managers do not necessarily make good dancers and vice versa, in the same way that a good doctor can be a bad hospital administrator or an excellent professor a terrible university president.

He likens the work of a chief executive to that of an orchestra conductor. The conductor may not necessarily be the best violinist, but he knows good from bad violin playing. This is needed, as he sees to it that the hundred or so musicians in an orchestra, each playing a different instrument and possibly different notes, produce a glorious, symphonic whole.

"The secret is teamwork. Each person should do what he is good at, while respecting the talent of the other," Laya says.

He also observes that in the business world, managers are obliged to have a sense of urgency, have to decide quickly, and be concerned about efficiency, timetables and completion according to plan and budget. In the corporate world, the people in an organization are used to following policies and decisions once these are made. Such is not always the case in an artistic organization, since artists create when inspiration strikes, and cost is unimportant when a masterpiece is emerging.

Exemplary managers and business people insist on transparency and are sensitive to conflicts of interest. On the other hand, some artists themselves have described past NCCA practice as "incestuous," when the same person would propose a project, evaluate the proposal, recommend approval, expect the board to rubberstamp the recommendation, and then implement and monitor the project. This would be out of ordinary in private business and has been corrected with an NCCA Code of Ethics.

"There is accountability in both business and the arts. The difference is a matter of degree. Accountability is clearer in the business world, where one has to produce and sell, and spend less than one's earnings, make a profit, to survive. A person's job depends on his and his company's productivity. On the other hand, whether or not the final artistic product justifies the cost of creation is more difficult to judge."

In the more developed countries, quality is gauged by critical acclaim, which in due course leads to ticket sales and long theatrical runs (such as Miss Saigon), enormous book sales (Harry Potter), elevated demand and price of paintings (Picasso). In a country like ours, however, real critics are few and the uninitiated are often hard put to decide what is good or bad in cinema, music, or other artistic output.

Business meetings tend to focus on issues—shall we raise prices by how much, do we launch a new product, do we open a new branch, and when? Argument is based on the merits of the idea. The proponent defends the idea from those who disagree. In the arts, issues easily get mixed up with personalities. In extreme cases, the thinking is all too often, "He doesn't like my project; what did I do to offend him?" This is possibly why art criticism has never gotten too far; even if what you say is true—a play is uninspired, a movie sucks, the soloist seems to be playing tag with the conductor, one creates enemies by panning them in a published review.

In the business world, silence is often a virtue. One does not unveil plans for new products, advertising campaigns, marketing strategies until the proper time. The artistic world, on the other hand, often needs prolonged discussion before inspiration and completion of a new creation.

Despite the differences, Laya maintains that there are plenty of similarities between artists and business people.

The businessman takes as much pride in his balance sheet as does a composer of his latest sonata. An analyst's sense of achievement in finishing his multiple regression is like a historian reveling in his latest archival discovery.

The scientific method is common to all disciplines. A scholar, whether of finance, history, or cultural heritage conservation must go through the same scholarly procedure—literature survey, search for original documents, development of hypotheses, logical analysis of facts, and a final conclusion.

Planning, Laya adds, is really no different in arts and business management. Business managers plan by defining objectives, priorities, budgets and timetables. They know the need for consistency in their decisions and that careless evaluation of proposals can lead to expensive mistakes. They are sensitive to cost-benefit. In the arts, the ultimate objective is to encourage creation, to develop audiences. "The most stable arts organizations became so by behaving like business people. Look at how the business mind in an arts organization would plan toward a paying audience for ultimate self-sufficiency. This has been done by such organizations as Repertory Philippines, Bayanihan, Powerdance, Ballet Philippines, and the Madrigals, all of which have attained a certain degree of both permanence and excellence," observes Laya.

### Memorable start

His first few years at the NCCA were memorable. Artistic frustration, says Laya, sometimes results in truly spectacular fireworks. He recounts his experience, which was punctuated with "media blitzes, anonymous poison pen letters, faxes and e-mails, petitions signed by Megamall security guards, janitors and sales girls described as 'artists and cultural workers.' Walkouts and resignations in a huff were routinely. Lady Macbeth and her friends could pick up a few pointers from some of my adventures."

Despite all these thorny issues and attendant problems, Laya believes that the NCCA is now more efficient and responsive to the needs of both the public and the arts community. After the period of adjustment, managers and artists understand each other better and work more smoothly together. Many of the projects they have implemented speak for themselves. At the end, the value of their work will be gauged by how they have succeeded in empowering and sustaining the artistic and cultural life and heritage of the nation, the primary vision they have sworn to uphold.

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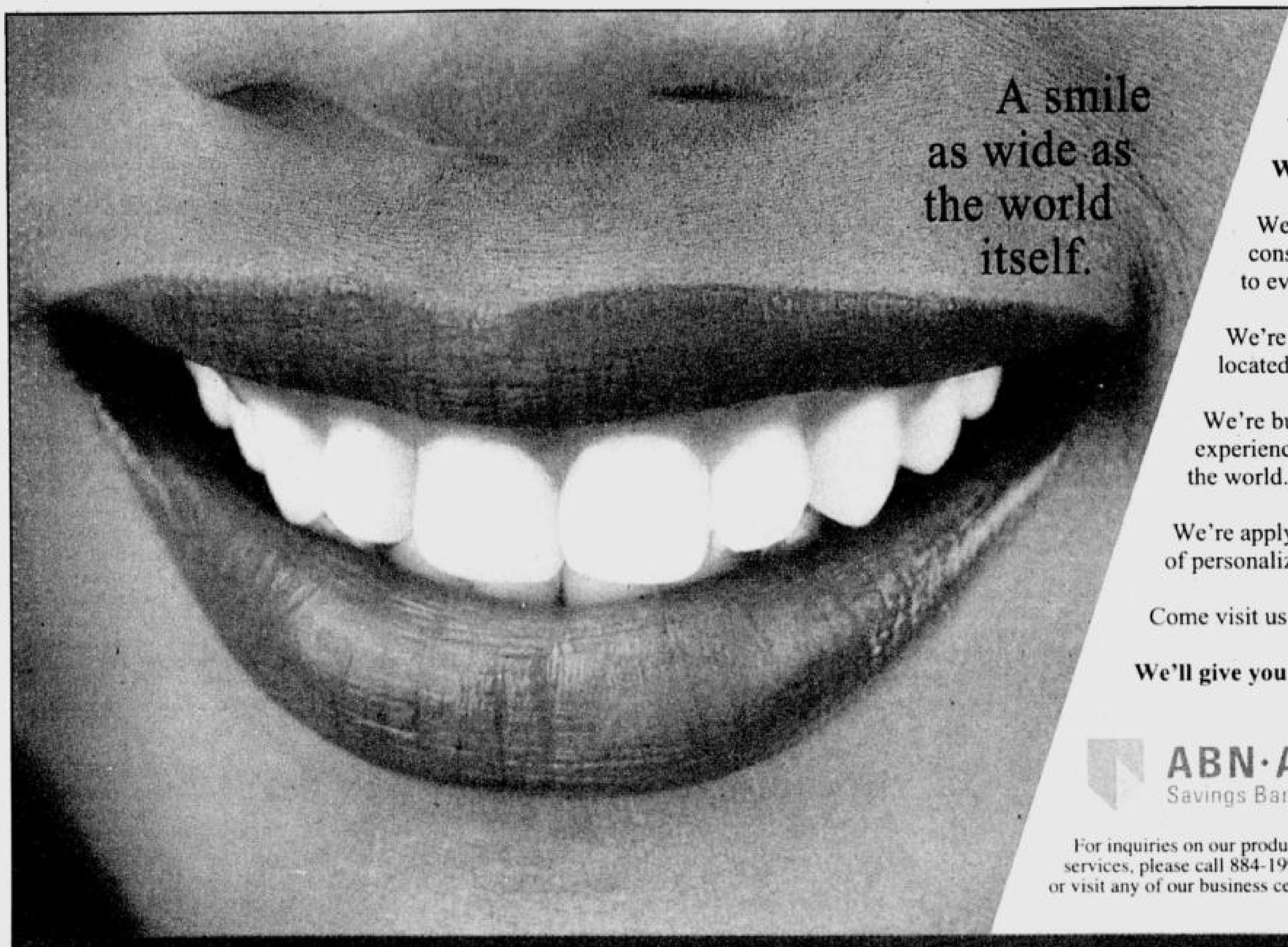

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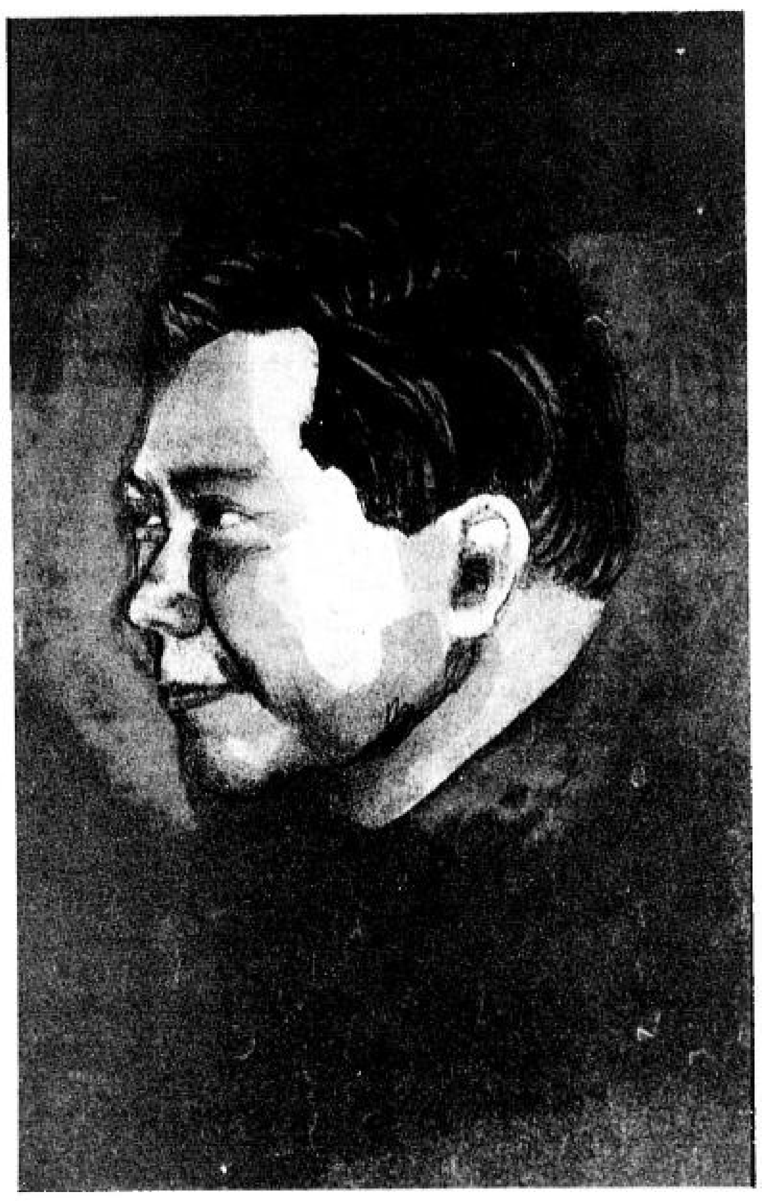


**REAL** ESTATE magnate Andrew Tan figured in the news last week when reports circulated that he would soon be selling his Emperador Brandy to food and beverage giant San Miguel Corp.

San Miguel's subsidiary La Tondeña Distillers Inc. was interested because the popular Emperador Brandy would beef up its hard liquor line that includes Ginebra San Miguel and Añejo Rhum.

# Executives must re-discover the joy (not task) of writing

**"Writing the Natural Way"**
*Gabriele Rico*
*Penguin Putnam, 2000*

By Dante M. Velasco

**EXECUTIVE READ**

**SOMEWHERE in our growing up years, we lost the joy of creating and the pleasure of writing. Someone wisely said that we were all artists and poets when we were young. And then most of us ceased to be.**

"When we were little," says Peter Elbow ("Writing with Power), "we had no difficulty sounding the way we felt; thus most little children speak and write with real voice."

We saw the rainbow—and we captured its kaleidoscopic hues in pastel drawings and in light verses. The sight and scent of a rose drove us to the nearest bench to record in a sketch or essay an overpowering sense of beauty—moved by poet John Keats' exultation: "A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

A case of first love, a certain melancholy or a rush of exuberance finds itself in broad strokes in a drawing, an uncommon intensity in poetry or a simple, but inspired, melody.

Why did the artist, writer or musician in each one of us leave us without saying goodbye? And soon we realized we could neither draw nor write; we could neither etch an image nor compose a song.

Experts on the creative process explain that we have over-developed our critical thinking—the left brain, and under-utilized our creative part—the right brain. Our schools taught us to labor over an outline before we could even write—and thus creativity flew out of the window!

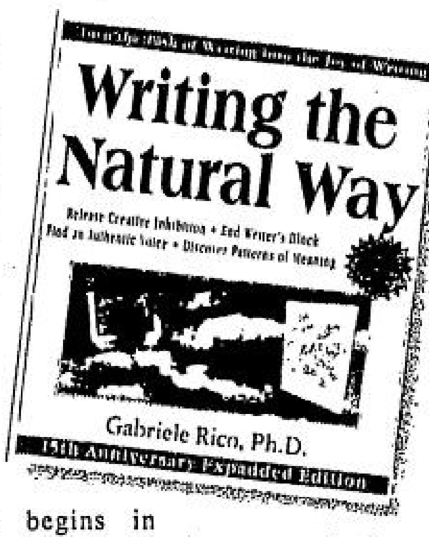
William Forrester in the movie, "Finding Forrester," gave this valuable advice to a young writer—"Write and write, and think afterwards"—and then your piece starts taking shape.

Two Harvard educators concluded that "writing is a guide to thinking"—not the other way around.

A valuable contribution to the joyful rediscovery of writing as a natural creative process is the book titled "Writing the Natural Way," authored by Gabriele Rico who has been leading writing workshops and discussing recent findings on brain research as they apply to learning.

Sub-titled "Using Right Brain Techniques to Release Your Expressive Powers," the book devotes 14 chapters to unleash our creative energy for writing—almost effortlessly.

Listen to Ms Rico: "Natural writing is first of all an act of self-definition of what you know, what you discover, what you wonder about, what you feel, see, hear, touch, taste—all of which reflects the many-faceted crystal that you are."


Writing the Natural Way
Release Creative Inhibition • End Writer's Block
Find an Authentic Voice • Discover Patterns of Meaning
Gabriele Rico, Ph.D.
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"Our loss (of interest in writing) begins in school, when the process of writing is taught to us in fragments: mechanics, grammar and vocabulary," she points out. Not to mention our teachers' preoccupation with sentence diagrams and other mechanistic approaches that only succeeded in giving us dread, not joy, in writing.

The author says we have "Design" and "Sign" minds. To simplify the explanation, she uses a metaphor: Your Design mind attends to the melody of life, whereas your Sign mind attends to the notes that compose the melodies."

Don't be intimidated by these distinctions, because after these are settled, the book brings you to experience writing—the natural way. The chapter on "clustering" gives us an easy way to expand and deepen an idea. The author calls it an "associative brainstorming process."

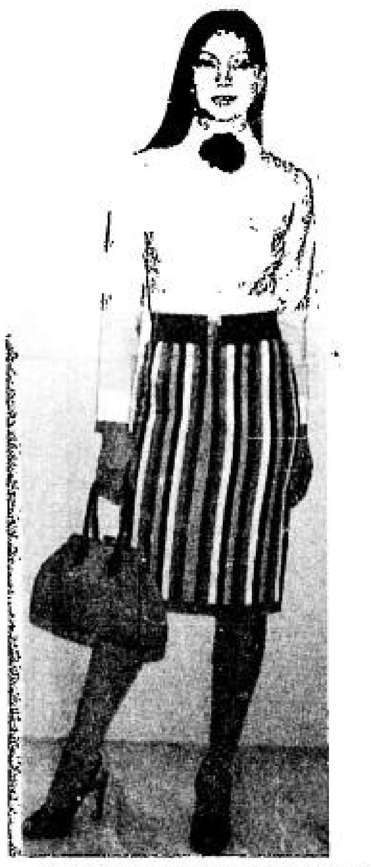
One example used is the word "airplane" in a "brain map." Through clustering process, ideas like "freedom," "power," "danger," and "sexual attraction" branched out of the "airplane." From such branches emerge many more ideas. You write these down and you will not run out of more ideas—a sure antidote to mental block.

This book, as it fuses both the science and art of writing, deals with such interesting topics as language rhythms, use of metaphors, finding the unifying thread, appreciating nuances, creative tension, brevity and re-visions, and designing constellations.

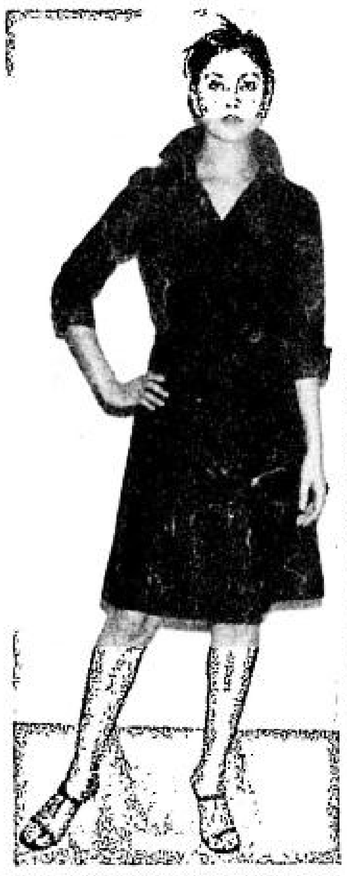
Is this the preoccupation of professional writers? No. The author says that writing is a natural ability inherent in everyone, as she disputes the concept of a "born writer." She declares: "This fallacy puts the born writer in a different category from most of us—or so we think—since we have to struggle so hard with writing."

She delivers a liberating truth to all of us, including executives who have long given up writing: "The innate human need that underlies all writing, the need to give shape to your experience, is a gift we all possess from earliest childhood.

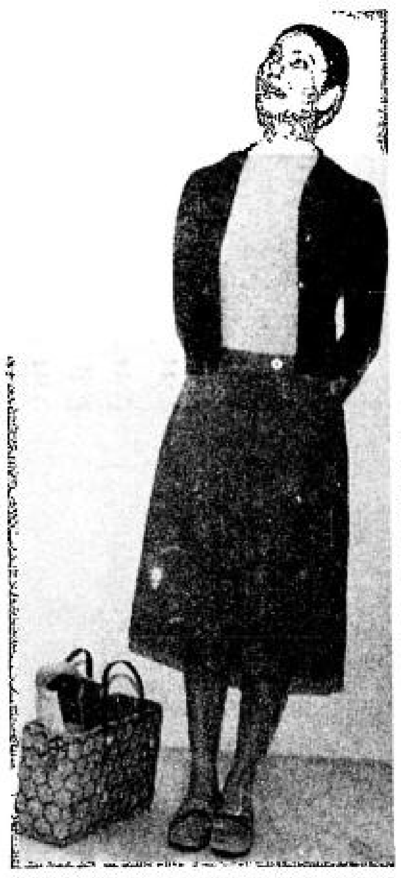
How to read the book? Scan it first to appreciate the entire sweep. And then follow the exercises—as easy as calisthenics (mental, that is). You will be reassured that you have actually been applying the right principles on writing. Then, you realize writing is kid's play. (dantemv@i-next.net)



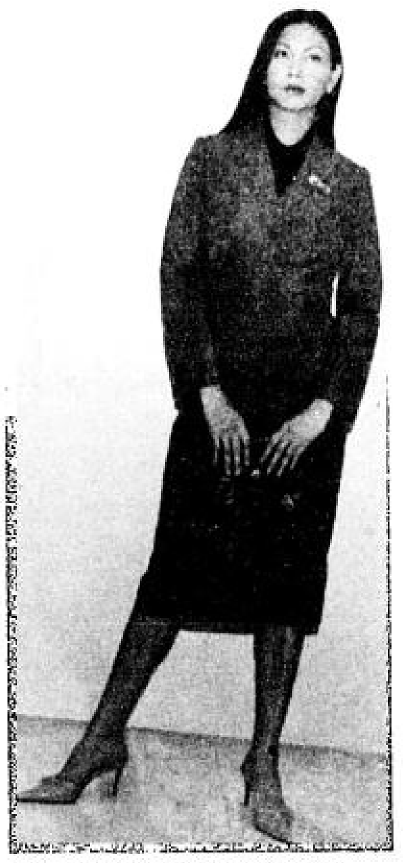
**HOW** to make the ubiquitous white polo look better? Match it with stripes.



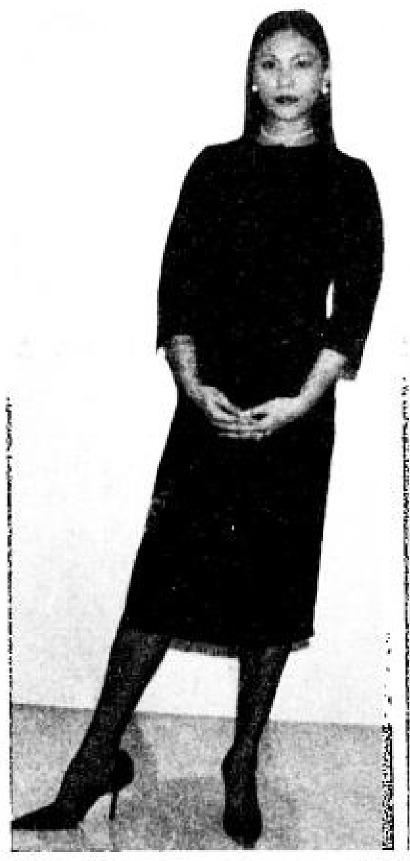
**THE TRENCH-COAT** dress is back because the Burberry look is hitting the market again.



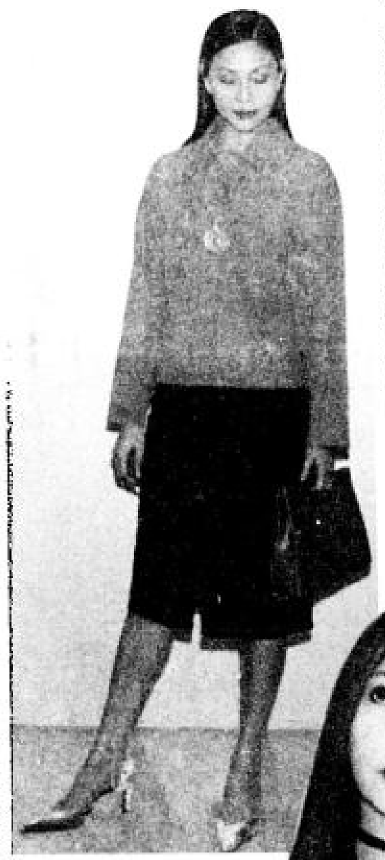
**"YOU'VE** got mail." This ensemble is inspired by the Marc Jacobs (designer for Louis Vuitton) outfit of Meg Ryan when she met Tom Hanks in the popular movie "You've got mail." The outfit is suggested for casual Fridays and for casual lunches with lady executives.



**ADDING** pizzazz to the boring color of gray by wearing a violet knit inner blouse, a brooch, violet clutch bag, and pink pumps. Gray is the most saleable color at the Black Shop.



**THE ALL-BLACK** ensemble will always be in demand especially by those who go out a lot after office. Tina Maristela, however, suggests wearing only the necklace or earrings during the day; but both can be worn for the evening affair.



**THE "DON'T** be afraid to break some corporate rules in dressing look." Tina Maristela-Ocampo puts "power" on the denim skirt by pairing it with a violet jacket. Since gold is a fashion must have this season, according to Ocampo, she uses a huge necklace and gold pumps. She adds the need to sometimes clash colors so she uses an aqua handbag.

# Female execs need color in their business lives

By Margie Quimpo-Espino

**FASHION model turned businesswoman Tina Maristela-Ocampo expresses frustration at how averse lady executives are in playing around with the clothes and colors they use.**

"Many of them would walk into the store (Ocampo owns The Black Shop) and tells us to advice them on the trendy clothes and new colors. But always they end up buying the same colors!" she says.

The usual colors are camel, gray and black.

She says it has been her mission to convince executives to experiment with more colors and to add new twists in the way they wear their staple clothes.

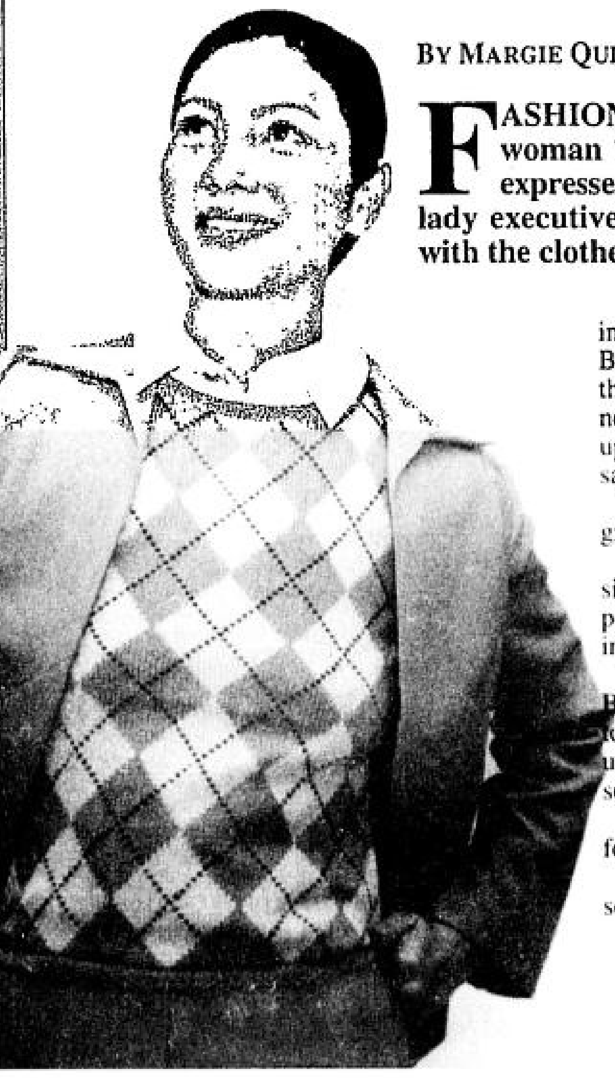
"Women tend to remain with one look. At the Black Shop we train our managers to get clients to wear more trendy clothes. Businesswomen are usually stuck with work, they have no relaxation, so they need to add color."

In this fashion layout, she presents eight looks for the lady executive to choose from.

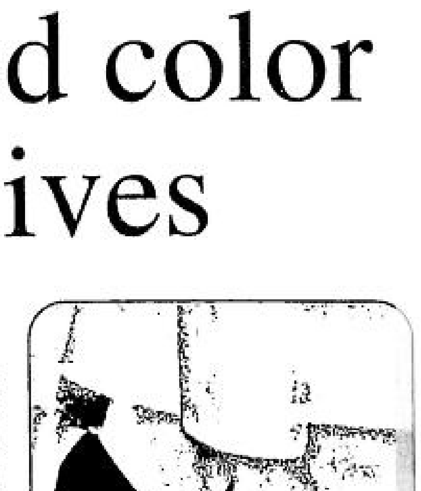
She enumerates the following musts for this season:

1. Pumps
2. Wide belts
3. Flower accents
4. Clutch bags
5. Gold accessories

**WIDE** belts are in again.



**THE CLASSIC** Argyle sweater can do wonders to an executive's outfit when the rainy season comes or when a trip is scheduled. "Executives have to put color into their business lives," says Tina Maristela.



**BLACK** pumps, the pointier the better, are in vogue this season.

**FILIPINAS** are fond of white tops but do not like white bottoms. Tina Maristela, however, says a black and white combination is very elegant and powerful and those with narrow hips should try white pants or skirts.

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**Reporting to** : Humanitarian Programme Co-ordinator (HPC)

**Staff Reporting** : Programme Assistant (time shared with HPC)

**Job Purpose** : In line with Oxfam's strategic plans and policy guidelines, to work with the HPC, the Assets and Markets Programme Coordinator and other Programme Officers in planning, implementing and monitoring the sustainable livelihoods projects of Oxfam's rehabilitation programme in Central Mindanao, and to link these projects to Oxfam's strategic national sustainable livelihoods programme.

To participate in and contribute to the wider institutional and theoretical discussions of Oxfam in the East Asia Region and internationally.

**Aim of the post:**

The sustainable livelihoods element of the rehabilitation programme forms a key part of Oxfam's rehabiliation programme in Central Mindanao and the country programme as a whole. The aim of this post is to research project options and design, and implement and monitor the livelihoods elements of the rehabilitation programme. A strong emphasis will be placed on developing mechanisms for assessing impact and feeding in lessons learnt from the programme to develop country advocacy strategies. It will be necessary to carry out all activities in close co-ordination with targeted communities, relevant government line ministries, research institutes, partner NGOs and the Oxfam's national and East Asian sustainable livelihoods team. The post will be supported by the Humanitarian Programme Co-ordinator based in Cotabato and the Assets and Markets Cordinator based in Manila

**Specific Responsibilities:**

1. Research current initiatives in the area of sustainable livelihoods, including those undertaken by government departments, research institutes and other agencies.
2. Carry out participatory vulnerability and capacities assessments in the target programme area to gain a sound understanding of the needs of communities.
3. Co-ordinate with external agencies in designing sustainable livelihoods projects, including identifying partner NGOs and providing them support in implementing the sustainable livelihoods programme in Central Mindanao.
4. Ensure that the sustanbale livelihoods programme is integrated with the wider country programme (especially in the areas of disaster management, peace building and assets and markets reform).
5. Develop advocacy positions in the area of sustainable livelihoods in consultation with partner NGOs, the HPC and the country team.
6. Develop a framework, including indicators, for assessing the impact of the sustainable livelihoods programme in Central Mindanao.
7. Ensure all of Oxfam's work promotes gender equality, including assisting NGOs/POs in gender fair programme planning and implementation.
8. Liase with and represent Oxfam to appropriate government officials, donor agencies, national level organisations and other bodies as appropriate in the pursuit of programme aims.

**Person Specification:**

- At least 2 years practical experience in agronomy, trade and enterprise development or other area relevant to sustainable livelihoods.
- Work experience with local NGOs or grassroots organisations and a knowledge and understanding of the Philippine NGO environment, its dynamics and operations.
- Knowledge and good understanding of the Central Mindanao context.
- Excellent and proven project management skills, including experience of project design, planning, monitoring, evaluation and impact assessment.
- Strong representational and diplomacy skills and an ability to relate to people from all backgrounds.
- Ability to work on his/her own initiative to build on and develop the programme and post.
- The ability to work effectively as part of a team, including building strong links with "remote" teams in other parts of the country and Asia region.
- Understanding of gender issues in development and demonstrable commitment to promoting gender equality.
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## Job Title : Public Health Engineer

**Based In** : Cotabato, Central Mindanao Region

**Reporting to** : Public Health Team Manager (PHM)

**Staff Reporting** : Field Engineers

**Job Purpose** : To plan, implement and manage the implementation of the water & sanitation (WATSAN) activities including appropriate work planning and regular systematic monitoring of the Public Health Programme of Oxfam's Rehabilitation Project for Central Mindanao, covering the provinces of Maguindanao, North Cotabato and Sultan Kudarat. To ensure the WATSAN activities are fully integrated into the wider public health programme through close collaboration with the Community Health promotion team. In addition, to provide technical support to the Sustainable Livelihoods and Education components for housing and school building construction.

In addition, this post will be responsible for working with local partner organizations to draw on their skills and develop their capacity and with government line ministries to ensure a coordinated response.

**Specific Responsibilities:**

1. To assess the water supply and sanitation needs of the returnees in their place of origin as well as in the evacuation centers, taking into account the needs of the locally affected population.
2. On the basis of the need assessment, to implement the WATSAN programme in collaboration with other team members and to assist the Public Health Manager (PHM) design and initiate a community-based sustainable public health programme including emergency response & preparedness.
3. Assist the PHM to carry out the selection, design and construction of water systems and of sanitation systems including excreta disposal, refuse disposal, vector control and drainage
4. Ensure the proper implementation of the programme, i.e. construction work of water supply (tube-well, dug-well, spring development, rainwater harvesting, etc) sanitation, drainage, basic housing materials support and the construction of school building are done according to design and specification.
5. Assist the PHM to identify potential partner organizations and facilitate programme activities through partners as a part of the programme implementation strategy and capacity building of local NGOs / CBOs. To provide technical support to partners on programme planning, implementation, monitoring and impact assessment with the consultation of PHM.
6. Assist the PHM to develop a sustainable water surveillance system through partners or respective government organization. To organize training on WATSAN management and maintenance for the partners as well as selected community volunteers.
7. Manage the Engineering construction team. This will involve supervising, work schedule, monitoring and working in close collaboration with other members of the team to ensure an integrated approach to the public health needs of the population.
8. Ensure the consistency of the programme accorfing to Oxfam standards and indicators as appropriate.
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**Person Specification:**

- A suitable qualification in Public Health Engineering / Civil Engineering with at least 2 years practical experience on team management (technical), rural water supply **(with a good basic knowledge of Tube-well / handpump and borehole practices and technologies)**, sanitation and hygiene promotion. Experience can substitute for qualification but not vice versa. Oxfam is an equal opportunity employer, and appropriately qualified women are encouraged to apply.
- The postholder should have a good understanding of the public health needs of poor rural and urban communities and of appropriate ways of tackling them. The postholder must be aware of and sensitive to the particular needs of women in this context.
- Work experience with local NGOs or grassroots organisations and a knowledge and understanding of the Philippine NGO environment, its dynamics and operations.
- Knowledge and good understanding of the Central Mindanao context.
- Strong representational and diplomacy skills and an ability to relate to people from all backgrounds.
- Ability to work on his/her own initiative to build on and develop the programme and post.
- Understanding of gender issues in development and demonstrable commitment to promoting gender equality.
- Fluency in written and spoken English and Pilipino.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Computer literacy in Word and Excel.
- Willingness to travel, sometimes to remote areas for extended periods, to visit projects and partners.

If you have the relevant experience and skills for these posts, please submit your letter of application and curriculum vitaé detailing your qualifications for the post to **The Programme Representative, Oxfam Great Britain, 95-A Malumanay Street, Teacher's Village, 1101 Quezon City.**

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Any person with valid objections to or pertinent comments on the above-mentioned application may file his/her objection, in writing under oath, with the BOI within one (1) week from the date of this publication.

Issued this 11th day of May 2001.

(Sgd.) C.O. ANGELES
*Director*
*Legal Services Department*

(PDI--May 20, 2001)

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Province of Bukidnon
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# INVITATION FOR BIDS

Date : 20 May 2001
27 May 2001
Loan No : 1453 PHI SF

1. The Province of Bukidnon, Philippines, has received a loan from Asian Development Bank ("ADB") for the implementation of the Bukidnon Integrated Area Development Project and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for the supply, delivery, installation and commissioning of irrigation piping network and drip equipment for La Fortuna CIS Extension Communal Drip Irrigation System, Maninit Communal Drip Irrigation System and Sigmatan Communal Drip Irrigation System.
2. The Provincial Government of Bukidnon (PGB), as the implementing Agency of the project, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders from member countries of ADB for the supply, delivery, installation and commissioning of the goods for the purposes of the project.
3. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information on the bid form and inspect the bidding document at the Project Director, Bukidnon Integrated Area Development Project-Project Management Office (BIADP-PMO), 2nd Floor, BIADP-PMO Building, Provincial Capitol Compound, Malaybalay City, Bukidnon, Philippines Tel. No. (63-88) 813-2448 or (83-88) 221-3648 and Telefax No. (63-88) 221-3178.
4. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested eligible bidder upon the submission of a written application to the above address and upon payment of nonrefundable fee of one thousand five hundred pesos only (P1,500.00) from May 21 to 31, 2001.
5. A pre-bid conference shall be held on June 7, 2001 at the conference room, BIADP-PMO, 2nd Floor BIADP-PMO Building, Provincial Capitol Compound, Malaybalay City, Bukidnon, Philippines. A site inspection at bidders expense shall be held on June 8, 2001
6. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of at least two percent (2%) of Total Bid Price and must be delivered in accordance with the instruction to the bidders on or before 10:00 a.m. on June 28, 2001 and will be publicly opened immediately thereafter.
7. The Provincial Government of Bukidnon (PGB) will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids.
8. In the comparison of bids, ADB's Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the instruction to Bidders.
9. The Provincial Government of Bukidnon (PGB) reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any defects or information therein, or accept any bid/s or offer/s which may consider to be most advantageous and beneficial to the Government.

(Sgd.) NEMESIO G. BELTRAN
*Provincial Governor*

(PDI - May 20 & 27 2001)

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## INVITATION TO BID

Interested parties/contractors with at least Medium B-Building category are invited to bid for the:

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The Public Bidding will be held at 10:00 a.m. on June 28, 2001 at the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) Social Hall, Philippine Sugar Center Building, Diliman, Quezon City.

Pre-qualification forms may be secured from the Secretariat, 3rd Floor, Annex Bldg., SRA Compound starting May 21, 2001.

Bid forms at Php 1,000.00/set shall be issued by the Secretariat to pre-qualified bidders on June 13, 2001.

A Pre-bid conference shall be held at 9:00 a.m. on June 20, 2001.

All bids must be accompanied by a Bidder's bond either in Cash, Cashier's/Manager's Check or GSIS bond equivalent to 10% of the total bid price.

SRA reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any formality/or defect therein and accept the bid most advantageous to the office.

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(Sgd.) MGR. JANNETTE G. LAGAREJOS

(PDI – May 20. 2001)

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
**NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY**

11 May 2001

## INVITATION TO PREQUALIFY AND TO BID

The National Housing Authority is inviting interested contractors who have completed similar contracts (at least 50% of the similar contract cost) within the last three (3) years and accredited with PCAB/IAC, to prequalify and bid for the contracts listed as follows:

| Bid Package | Scope of Works | Project Cost (PhP M) | PCAB Category | IAC Classification |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| A. Provision of Roof for Three (3) Existing Basketball Courts, Phase IA, Phase IC, and Phase II, Area I, DDDP | Building construction | 4.8 | B | Medium A Bldg. |
| B. Rehabilitation and Construction of Community Facilities-Phase IB, Phase II Area 4, Phase II Area 2, DDDP | Building construction | 1.5 | C | Small B Bldg. |
| C. KBCC Building Improvement, DDDP | Building construction | 1.6 | C | Small B Bldg. |
| D. Construction of Barangay Hall/Stage, Punta, Sta. Ana Manila (re-advertisement) | Building construction | 0.50 | C | Small B Bldg. |

I. Pre-C Forms, bid documents/plans as well as other information are available at the BAC Secretariat, 2nd Floor, NHA Main Building, Diliman, Quezon City, upon submission of the following: (a) Letter of Intent; (b) PCAB/IAC license with Official Receipt; (c) Certificate of Completion/Acceptance and Contract Agreement of completed similar project; and (d) Presentation of original documents for authentication purposes.
II. Payment of non-refundable fee of PhP 2,500.00 for Letter A and PhP 500.00 for Letters B, C & D shall be received only from authorized representatives.
III. Bid deposits shall be in the form of cash, manager's or cashier's check.
IV. Deadline of submission of LOI/other documents is on May 24, 2001. All other subsequent activities will be announced through a bid bulletin.
V. The NHA reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive formality of any defect therein, and accept the offer most advantageous to the Government.

(Sgd.) ATTY. EDGARDO D. PAMINTUAN
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(PDI – May 16, 20 & 21, 2001)

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- Financial and numeracy skills
- Demonstrable competence in using and understanding Microsoft standard applications such as MS Word, MS Excel, MS Access, Internet Explorer, Outlook Express
- Knowledge of Fixed Assets Management
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- Strong service customer/client orientation.
- Good inter-personal skills and communication skills, the ability to relate to people of all backgrounds
- Flexible and able to prioritise own workload, to work independently and meet deadlines.
- Ability to problem solve and work on his/her own initiative, combined with the ability to work as part of a team
- Fluent in written and spoken English and Filipino
- Commitment to Oxfam's culture and objectives.

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- Knowledge and experience of finance-related work
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- Resource Centre management

If you have the relevant experience and skills for this post, please submit your letter of application and curriculum vitae detailing your qualifications for the post to **The Programme Services and Finance Manager, Oxfam Great Britain, 95-A Malumanay Street, Teachers' Village, 1101 Quezon City.**

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(PDI - May 20 2001)

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The PNOC Coal Corporation (PCC) invites prequalified accredited contractors to submit sealed bids for the:

**GENERAL SERVICES FOR PCC ZAMBO COAL TERMINAL (PCC 00-017B2)**

Bid documents may be secured from the Administrative Department (c/o Mr. George N. Alejandro) starting May 23, 2001 upon payment of a non-refundable fee of PESOS: Five Hundred (P500.00).

Sealed bids in two (2) sets shall be received by the Administrative Department not later than 2:00 o'clock P.M. of June 22, 2001 and then publicly opened at 2:30 P.M. of the same date at the above address.

For the purpose of clarifying certain issues, a pre-bid conference will be held on **May 31, 2001, 2:00 P.M. at the PCC Iligan Coal Terminal, Kiwalan, Iligan City.**

PCC reserves the right to reject any or all bids or parts thereof, to waive any informality therein, or to accept such bids or to award any part of the work to any bidder/s whose bid/s is/are considered most advantageous to PCC.

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El cadáver se halla de cuerpo presente en la Iglesia de "Our Lady of Beautiful Love Parish Church" en Merville Park, Parañaque; donde se celebrará la Misa de "Requiem" a las 10:00 de la mañana del martes, 22 de mayo 2001. El entierro se verificará seguidamente en Manila Memorial Park, Sucat Road, Parañaque.

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*Our Dearly Beloved Mamang*

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Her body lies in state at the HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL CHAPELS, Sucat Rd., Parañaque City.

Cremation at the Manila Memorial Park Crematory, Sucat, Parañaque City will be announced later.

Her ashes will be interred at the St. James the Great Parish Church Ayala Alabang, Muntinlupa City.

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## LUZ FULLON-HIPONIA, Ph.D.

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**Retired faculty member, West Visayas State University and Philippine Women's College - Iloilo.**

*Peacefully joined her Creator on Wednesday, May 17, 2001 at the age of 80.*

She is mourned by her husband **Romeo**; children **Marilynn (Meyen)** and **Kevin, Grace (Gingging)** and **Jose Rene (Joeboy)**, grandchildren **Gabe** and **Megan**, sisters **Lily, Emma** (†), and **Thelma**, brothers **Ernesto** (†), **Ricardo** and **Roberto**; sisters-in-law, **Lydia, Anacleta** and **Leticia**; nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Her remains lie in state at 7-A Mission Extention, Jaro Iloilo City.

Interment will be on Monday, May 21, 2001, 2PM at the Iloilo Memorial Park.

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## Maria Victoria Verano Miraflor

*Died in the Grace of our Lord on May 18, 2001 at the age of 54 at the Burnaby Hospital, Vancouver, Canada.*

Her husband **Cesar**; children **Claudine** and **Victor**; and wife **Kei**; grandchildren **Kyle** and **Megan**; mother **Trinidad**; sisters and brothers **Bonggoy** (†) and **Nitz Verano, Shelly** and **Ludwig Alvarez, Junoy** and **Marilou Verano, Rene** and **Dai Verano, Lorna** and **Bert Yap**; nephews and nieces, relatives and friends request the pious readers to remember **Marivic** in their prayers.

Interment will be on May 21, 2001 (Victoria Day) at Surrey, Vancouver, Canada.

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*"If tears could build a stairway, and memories were a lane, we would walk right up to Heaven to bring you home again. No farewell words were spoken, no time to say goodbye, you were gone before we knew it, and only God knows why."*

### Message of Thanks

We, the family of the late

## CAPT. FORTUNATO LEVOSADA, JR.

*who passed away in the grace of our Lord on April 15, 2001*

wish to express our heartfelt gratitude and sincerest appreciation to all those who offered Masses and prayers, sent flowers and messages of sympathy and who in countless ways, condoled with and comforted us in our hour of bereavement.

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## ATTY. ZOILO P. CARVAJAL

*Has joined his wife CONSUELO and peacefully rests in the infinite warmth and embrace of our Lord on May 18, 2001 at the age of 75.*

His loving children **Malou, Lani** and **Poppo** and their spouses, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, and other relatives and friends request for prayer for his eternal happiness.

His remains lie in state at the Arlington Memorial Chapel, Araneta Avenue, Quezon City.

Interment will be on Wednesday, May 23, 2001 at the Loyola Memorial Park, Marikina after the necrological service at 9:00 a.m.

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We know that God raised the Lord Jesus from death. He will raise us to life with Jesus. He will present us, along with you, to God.

*2 Cor. 4:14*

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### Message of Thanks

We, the family and relatives of the late

## BIENVENIDO "BENNY" NORIEGA CORONEL, SR.

*who joined his Creator on May 11, 2001*

sincerely convey our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all those who offered Masses and Prayers, sent flowers, visited and kept vigil and condoled with us in our moment of grief.

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# People, Events & Products

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## Biggest telecom event goes full blast

COMMASIA 2001, the country's biggest telecom and information communication event this year goes full blast as its exhibition space is now nearly fully booked by the Philippines' and the world's important telecom companies.

To be held from May 24-26, CommAsia has already confirmed over 5,000 square meters at the World Trade Center for its exhibitors from 18 countries. The event will bring together all sectors involved in information communication technology, specifically in telecommunications, broadcast, electronics, information technology and e-commerce. CommAsia will feature a nationwide conference in celebration of the National Electronics and Telecommunications Week (NETW). The conference will tackle the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the industry in general. Speakers will be luminaries in the local as well as international field of telecommunications.

The exhibitors will draw attention of the trade visitors to product presentations that will introduce the latest technology in the IT and telecom cyberspace. CommAsia 2001 is a joint project of the Philippine Electronics and Telecommunications Federation (Petef) and IIR Exhibitions, Phils., Inc. (IIR), one of the country's leading exhibit organizers and which can be called at 750-8588. Major players in the telecom industry have joined the fair. The American companies have grouped themselves into a US Pavilion, the biggest in the show.

Organizers are confident that CommAsia 2001 will draw in more than 10,000 visitors who make the industry move with dynamism and innovation, providing business opportunities for both exhibitors and visitors.

## LPG maker goes 'txt commerce'

AS THE NUMBER of cellular phone subscribers in the country swells into millions, texting is emerging as one of the most potent forms of mass media that can be effectively utilized not only for communication and entertainment, but for business as well.

Capitol Allied Trading and Transport, the producers of the liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) brand CAT-Gas is harnessing this new media as it launches its "U Txt CAT-Gas Delivers" program.

"U Txt CAT-Gas Delivers" is the brainchild of Jerome Gutierrez, CAT-Gas chief operating officer for Metro Manila, the Visayas, and Mindanao. Consumers can now have their CAT-Gas LPG delivered right to their doorstep and installed in their kitchen by texting (0917)848-1777 for Globe and (0918)912-7777 for Smart subscribers.

"We all know how powerful texting has become and we believe in responsible texting. This is why we are using it as a medium to make LPG delivery even more convenient for very mobile professionals. They don't even have to spend on a phone call. They can just text and we'll take care of the rest," says Gutierrez.

Service representatives will guide customers through a three-step process, which determines the name and address of the recipient, the preferred color of the tank, and other requests such as replacing the hose and regulator or free cleaning of their kitchen stove.

Gutierrez conceived of the "U Txt CAT-Gas Delivers" distribution program at the height of the second People Power revolution wherein text messaging played a crucial role in disseminating information.

"U Txt CAT-Gas Delivers" is another component of an aggressive campaign by CAT-Gas to facilitate the availability, accessibility, and distribution of its products by opening alternative means of ordering for its consumers. Earlier last year, CAT-Gas introduced its instant delivery hotline 920-7777, which is the country's first-ever free delivery and free installation of multi-colored tanks.

**MISNET, E.PIPHANY INK DEAL**

MISNET, Inc., a Philippine-based distributor and implementation consultant of software solutions, and customer relationship management (CRM) solution provider E.Piphany have announced a cooperative partnership for the Philippines, Singapore, Australia and other Asian markets. In photo are (from left) Eric Natividad, MISNet chair and CEO, and Angus McDougall, E.Piphany vice president and GM for Asia Pacific.

## BITS & Clips

### Philippine Internet Expo

THE PHILIPPINE Internet Expo 2001 in Cebu will be holding a two-day hands-on seminar training on XML and Java programming as part of its conference on May 23 and 24 at the Marriott Hotel in Cebu City. Software AG will discuss how to use XML and add Javascript to websites. For more details, please call 896-0639, 896-0637, 752-3936 or 751-5200, or e-mail emedia@info.com.ph or fiera@info.com.ph. Visit the website www.fmi.com.ph.

### Rebustillo reunion

THE REBUSTILLO clan of Bicol (originally from Oas and Polangui, Albay) is having its grand family reunion on May 19 and 20 at Larap, Jose Panganiban, Camarines Norte to be hosted by the family of Agripino and Elesia Rebustillo.

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*but the memories of your love and goodness will*
*live with us and remain in our hearts forever.*

*Our Dearly Beloved*

## MARCIAL SANCHO EZEQUIEL

*Peacefully joined his Creator on May 18, 2001 at the age of 52.*

His bereaved wife **Mary Joan "Gigi" Bautista**; daughters **Marquessa Joanna** and **Carla Katrina**; mother-in-law **Daughlet Bautista**; brothers and sisters **Rodolfo, Justiniano, Jr., Eventina, Eppie, Manuel** and **Nilo**; brothers- and sisters-in-law **Felicidad, Angelo, Edna,** and **Estrella** as well as **Yoly, Don, Boy, Bing, Dolet, Sol, Vicky** and **Faith**; nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends request your prayers for the eternal repose of his soul.

His remains lie in state at the Faith Chapel, Don Bosco, Makati City. Daily Masses will be offered at 8:00 PM.

The Holy Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 22, 2001 at 8:30 a.m. at Don Bosco Parish Church, Makati City. Cremation rites will follow at the Manila Memorial Park, Parañaque City. His cremated remains will be interred at the crypt of St. James Parish Church at Ayala Alabang in Muntinlupa City.

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"I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."
John 14:6

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**Our Dearly Beloved Tatay**

## NESTOR J. VALENTON, SR.

**of Talavera, Nueva Ecija**

*Peacefully joined his Creator*
*on Thursday, May 17, 2001 at the age of 81.*

He is survived by his wife **Atanacia**; his bereaved children and their spouses **Ma. Remedios & Dioscoro F. De Leon Jr., Teresita & Godofredo Dela Peña Jr., Miriam Evelyn & Antonio Salazar, Lito & Niña Alberto** and **Nestor Jr.**; grandchildren **Tricia, Tingting, Ria & Vincent, Cholo, Trina, Ching, Hannah & Joma, AA, Anjo, Augie & Monique, Paulo, Carlo, Yayo, Joey & Sheryl**; and great grandchildren.

His remains lie in state at the St. Isidore Parish Hall, Talavera, Nueva Ecija.

Interment will be on Wednesday, May 23, 2001 at the Talavera, Nueva Ecija Cemetery after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

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## DR. BONIFACIO J. FONTANILLA

*Philippine Heart Center, Founding Chief of Anesthesiology Division*
*Retired Coronel of the Armed Forces of the Phils.*

Died in the Grace of our Lord
on May 16, 2001 at 11:20 pm

His loving WIFE **Aquilina**; dearest CHILDREN **Wilfredo & Joy, Elizabeth & Romeo, Evangeline, Miguelito & Margie, Bonifacio Jr. & Nancy, Robert**; GRANDCHILDREN **Andrew, Kyle, Eugene, Christine, Kathlyn, Alexa, Koby** and **Patricia**; and beloved SISTER **Felicidad**, other relatives and friends request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

His remains lie in state at Penthouse, 5th floor, Philippine Heart Center, East Avenue, Quezon City.

Interment will be on Wednesday, May 23, 2001 at Eternal Gardens Memorial Park, Caloocan City, Metro Manila after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Penthouse, 5th floor, Philippine Heart Center.

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*"You will forever be in our hearts Nanay."*

## LUISA ASISTIO DAVID

**Widow of the late Conrado S. David**

*Peacefully joined our Lord on May 18, 2001 at the age of 87.*

Her bereaved children **DOLORES, ALBERTO, AVELINO (†), ADELAIDA, LEONARDO, ELENA (†), RICARDO** and **ARMANDO**; sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers, sisters, grandchildren and great grandchildren request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Her remains lie in state at Arlington Memorial Chapels, 12 G. Araneta Avenue, Quezon City.

Interment will be at Holy Cross Memorial Park, Quirino Highway, Novaliches, Quezon City. Date and time of interment to be announced later.

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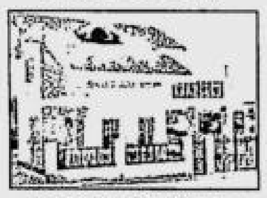

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Any person who can provide information leading to **KATSURO CHIBA's** arrest shall receive a reward.

Furthermore, any transaction **KATSURO CHIBA** may have entered into in behalf of Mindanao Ikoma Chiba Industrial Inc. as of 16 May 2001 shall no longer be honored.

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# You can put up a bakery for only ₱100,000

By Tina Arceo-Dumlao

THE BIBLE says man can not live on bread alone, but many successful bakery owners sure can because of the Filipino's addiction toward hot pandesal and tasty bread. Budding entrepreneurs who want to try their hand in baking bread can do so too despite the fact that there is almost one bakery at every neighborhood corner.

Rolando Dorado, head technician of yeast distributor Sonlie International Inc., tells the INQUIRER that there is always room for new bakeries because consumers are always on the lookout for better tasting and more affordable baked goodies.

Dorado estimates that those who have meager funds can kick start their bakery business with an investment of less than P100,000. This will be used to purchase an oven, work table, baking pans, ingredients for making the bread and a roller to knead the dough.

He, however, says that these bakery owners will have to sweat it out because they will have to put in a lot of manual labor to produce the bread.

For those who have more funds to invest will need between P150,000 to P200,000 to compete head-on with bigger bakeries. These funds will be enough to acquire a mixer, a big oven, high-grade baking pans, a stainless steel working table and quality ingredients for their bread.

"Entrepreneurs who want to go into the bakery business can expect to recover their investment within two to five years depending on the equipment that they use and assuming that they manage it well," he says.

Dorado stresses that the bakery owner should be directly involved in the bakery operations to make sure that the quality of the products remain at a high level, or else their business will surely fail.

"Competition is tough because there are many people who produce very good bread. If you will come in with bad products then you will have no hope of getting ahead of competition," he says.

THE MINIMUM capital can set off entrepreneurs wiling to sweat it out.

He says competition is centered on tasty or cream bread and buns. These bring in the most profit for a bakery because the baker can produce more tasty and buns within a shorter period of time, compared to the old time favorite hot pandesal.

At Sonlie International, Dorado recommends that bakers use the percentage system in measuring the ingredients. He says this ensures consistency in the taste and quality of the products, even if the baker uses one kilo or one sack of flour.

## PANDESAL

**Sponge:**

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| flour | 1,200 grams |
| water | 660 grams |
| SAF-Instant yeast | 10 grams |

(Percentages are based on two kilos or 2,000 grams)

Blend yeast with some amount of flour. Pour all the liquid and mix to dissolve the yeast. Add the remaining portion of the flour and mix until partially developed or the flour attains a film-like texture if stretched. Ferment for three to four hours.

**Dough:**

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| flour | 800 grams |
| sugar | 400 grams |
| salt | 34 grams |
| shortening | 100 grams |
| water | 340 grams |
| SAF-Instant yeast | 10 grams |
| Magimix (bread improver) | 8 grams |

1. Mix dough ingredients until flour is totally hydrated. Add fermented sponge and mix for about five minutes, then add the shortening and mix at low speed for a few minutes then change to higher speed.

2. Mix dough until fully developed then let rest for about 20 minutes

3. Cut into desired weight and then form into small strips and roll in bread crumbs

4. Let dough rest for 10-15 minutes then cut into desired size

5. Place on baking pans and proof. (A dough mixture is properly proofed if the finger leaves an indentation when it presses on the dough and slowly disappears).

6. Bake at 400 degrees F for 12-15 minutes or until done

## TASTY

| | |
|---|---|
| flour | 2,000 grams |
| water | 900 grams |
| sugar | 320 grams |
| salt | 35 grams |
| milk powder | 80 grams |
| shortening | 80 grams |
| SAF instant yeast | 20 grams |
| Magimix | 8 grams |
| butter | 40 grams |

1. Blend yeast with some flour then add the liquid

2. Mix to dissolve the yeast then add the rest of the ingredients

3.Add the shortening after five minutes of mixing then mix until partially developed

4.Ferment for 1 1/2 hours then pass dough into the dough break (kneader) until it becomes smooth

5. Cut to sizes and shape into small flutes then roll on shortening then place on baking pans (250 grams tasty).

6.Proof and when dough is almost touching the cover, bake at 400 degrees F for 20-25 minutes

7. Remove from pans right after baking and place bread on cooling racks.

## MONAY

| | |
|---|---|
| bread flour | 1,600 grams |
| soft flour | 400 grams |
| sugar | 360 grams |
| salt | 30 grams |
| milk powder | 80 grams |
| whole eggs | 200 grams |
| margarine | 120 grams |
| water | 700 grams |
| SAF-Instant Yeast | 20 grams |
| Magimix | 12 grams |
| egg and milk flavor | 40 grams |

1.Blend SAF-Instant yeast, Maximis with some flour

2.Add water to dissolve the ingredients. Add the rest of the ingredients and after five minutes of mixing, add the margarine

3. Mix until partially developed then ferment dough for 1.5 hours then pass dough into the dough break until smooth

4. Cut to sizes then form into desired shape

5. Proof, cut to desired shape, brush with egg wash and then bake at 400 degrees F for 15-20 minutes

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### Lecture on COPD Held Recently

Boehringer Ingelheim Product Manager Glenn Edralin with Professor Scale

A lecture series for key physicians entitled "COPD and New Advances in Management" was recently conducted in Manila by Professor John Paul Scale of the University of Sydney.

The lecture series was made possible by Boehringer Ingelheim, one of the 20 leading pharmaceutical companies in the world that has been in the forefront of discovering and developing novel treatments for COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease).

**GOING BANANAS.** Shopaholic Pinoys will go crazy over the range of merchandise.

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**ROLLING ALONG.** The one-stop shop also includes a tire center.

# One-stop shop for nonstop shopping

## If you're familiar with that wonderful American invention called the Price Club, you'll be glad to know that the warehouse store has opened in the Philippines

BY ALEX Y. VERGARA
PHOTOS BY MIKE ALQUINTO

**HONEST-TO-GOODNESS warehouse shopping, the American way, has finally arrived in the Philippines with the recent opening of S&R Price Membership Shopping at the Fort Bonifacio Global City in Taguig.**

And the best part is individuals or families don't have to own businesses to avail of the store's year-round specials. Its merchandise includes the best of local and imported, mostly US-made, products classified into "hard" and "soft" items.

Apart from this distinct grouping, the well-lit and wide aisles make it easier for customers to locate what they need. Electricity is probably the last thing the store will scrimp on. The high-ceilinged, 5,000-sq m complex is air-conditioned.

### PX galore

Unlike existing warehouse clubs, S&R not only carries local stuff but also such American staples as soaps, shampoos, dishwashing liquid, peanut butter, cake mixes, catsup, fruit juices, meat, frozen pizzas, ice cream, chocolate, fruits and, yes, bathroom tissue (the fluffy ones that are a pleasure to use), among others. Best of all, S&R gives equal importance to both individual and bulk buyers.

Indeed, the range of products can be quite overwhelming, if not amusing: large bottles of imported shampoos above locally produced sachets of the same brands; Virginia-made salad dressings beside Datu Puti vinegar; Betty Crocker cake mixes a few inches away from our very own Maya hotcake mix.

Fifty percent of the grocery items are sourced locally, while the other 50 percent are imported directly by the store's buying staff.

"This isn't a supermarket, but a one-stop shop offering a wide range of products," says American country manager Benjamin Woods. The items aren't duty-free goods, mind you. But because of the absence of middlemen, he adds, the store is able to get the best possible prices and pass on the savings to its members.

Of course, a typical supermarket carries more items in various sizes and quantities under its roof—close to 40,000 items based on Woods' estimates. S&R doesn't carry that many, but he promises to provide members with an extensive range of basic goods in bigger volumes. And the store's choices aren't based on guesswork

Aside from extensive market research, S&R has drawn from its rich experience in operating warehouse clubs in the US and developing coun-

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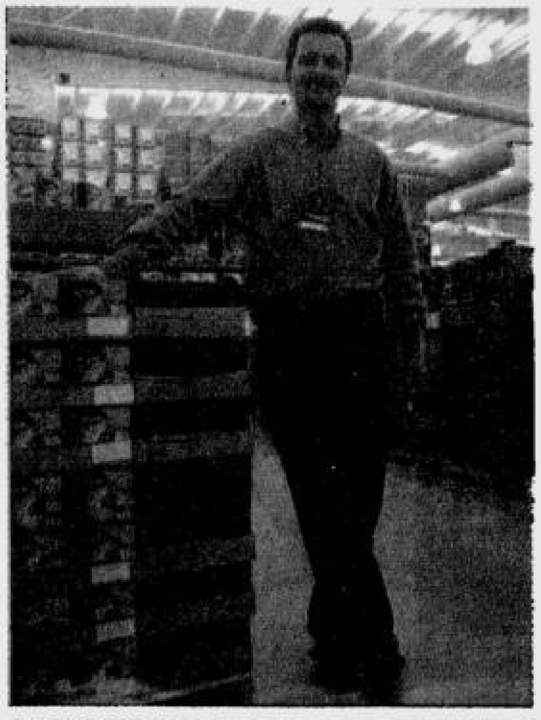

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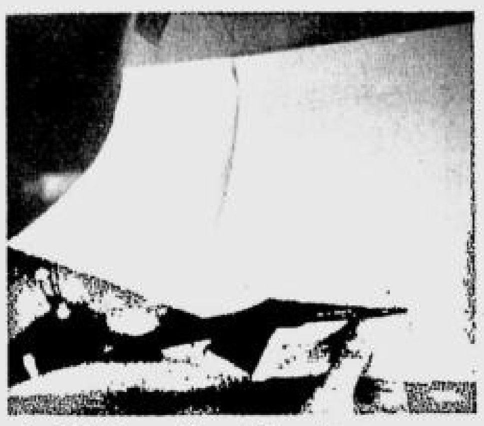
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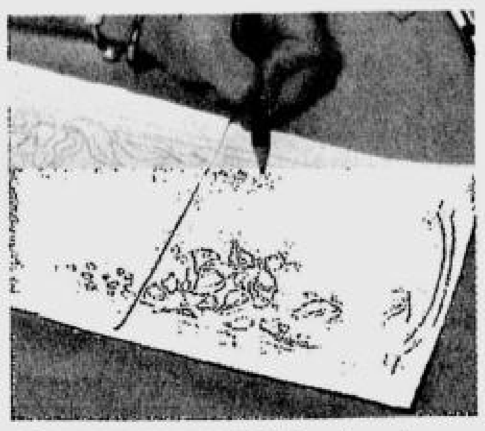
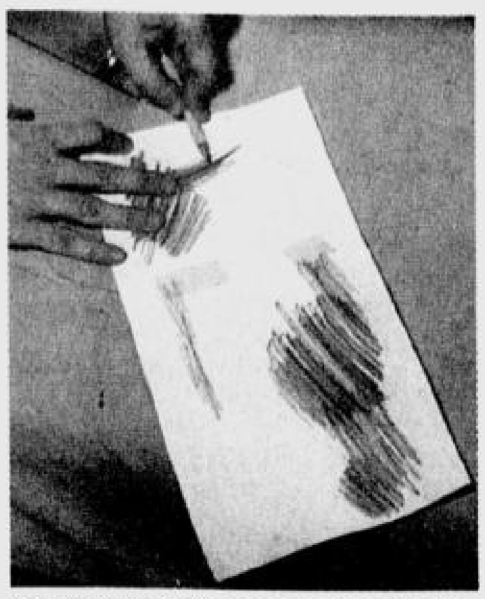
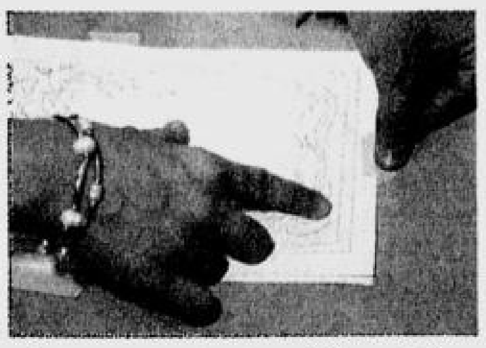
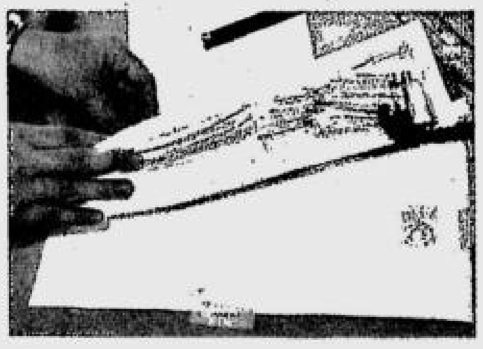

2 **FROM THE CUTOUT**, make a line border and an arch on the edge of the paper. Draw the flowers and leaves. Take note: do not connect the designs to each other. There must be "breathing space" between designs.


3 **FLIP** the designed paper then briskly scratch the pencil sideways at the back of the paper within the area of the design. This will help you trace the design onto the contact paper.


4 **PLACE** the blackened side onto the contact paper and trace over the design so it will be transferred to the sticker below. Remember to tape the tracing paper designs to the underside of the contact paper.


5 **CHECK** the back pattern once in a while.

# Mirror, frosted mirror on the wall

By Vangie Baga-Reyes
Photos by Roger Carpio

**HERE'S a novel and fun way to add unique touches to your home without spending a fortune. It's called mirror frosting. Mirror frosting enables you to transform your plain, drab mirrors into cheerful and interesting works of art.**

Mirror frosting is an alternative technique to sandblasting, an expensive method commonly used for mirrors.

"Mirror frosting started about two years ago," says contemporary alternative artist Bambi Cordero. "It's a versatile way to create designs on mirrors and glass."

Mirror frosting is becoming a popular art form these days. Everything from storage jars and drinking glasses to doors and windows can be enlivened by this simple yet effective technique. Frosted mirrors can be used as wall décor or for painting.

Mirror frosting is easy to do. You can get inspiration from a wide range of sources, such as books, wallpaper, gift wrappers and magazines. Musical instruments, fish, leaves and abstract patterns are all used to turn dreary mirrors into dramatic mirrors. Look around for a suitable design or, better yet, draw your own.

Beginners can start with simple designs from a coloring book, such as fish, fruit, flowers, mushroom or balloons.

CRAFT

### Mirror frosting made easy

You will need a Chinese brush, bond paper, a mirror, craft knife, contact paper (or, in layman's terms, stickers), a pencil, ruler and frosting cream. All materials are locally available. You can buy contact paper and frosting cream at craft shops. You can also get frosting cream from Art Innovative (tel. 897-3126), an art group founded by Cordero, who also teaches arts and crafts at the Ayala Museum.

First things first. Make sure the mirror is clean and free of grease or grime. You can buy a mirror at any aluminum shop or hardware. Have it cut according to your specifications. A beginner would do well to start with a small mirror.

Cut the bond paper to the size and shape of the mirror. From the cutout, create a border and draw your design on the paper, making sure you do not connect the designs to each other to bring out the negative and positive section of the designs.

Instead of using carbon paper to trace the design onto the contact paper, Cordero suggests "using a dark-toned pencil and briskly scratching the pencil sideways on the back of the paper to create an illusion under carbon paper." This is the more economical way of transferring the designs onto the contact paper.

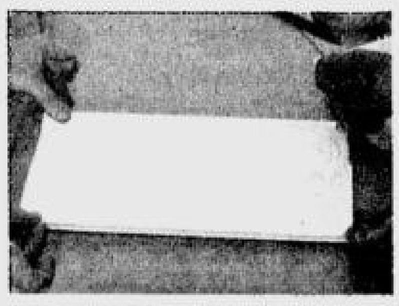
Actually, this tedious procedure is meant only for first-timers who are scared to draw directly on the contact paper. If you have a good hand, you can go straight to the sticker.

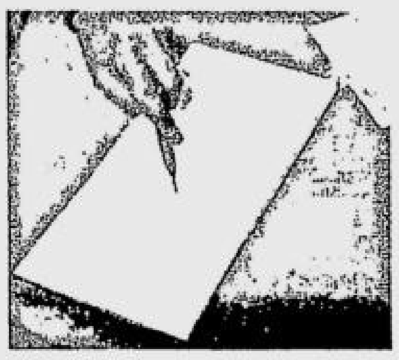
When using the cutter, always make sure not to scratch the surface of the glass. Hold the cutter as you would a pen and cut toward you. Try to cut continuously so that the outline is not broken.

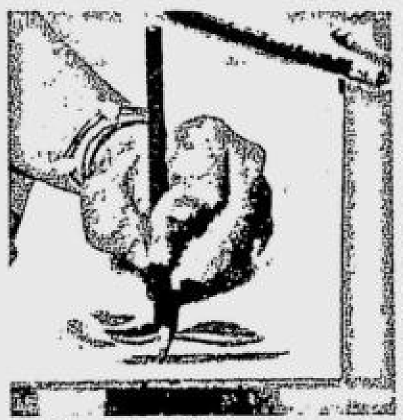
Finally, clean the mirror under running water, but not directly on the artwork. Wash it in your dirty kitchen or outdoor sink, not your kitchen or bathroom sink because the solution might cause corrosion.

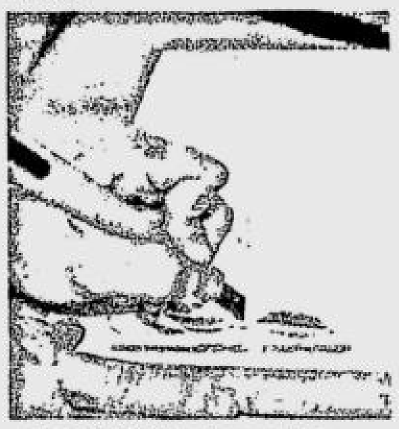
*For step-by-step suggestions, e-mail the author at vbaga@inquirer.com.ph*

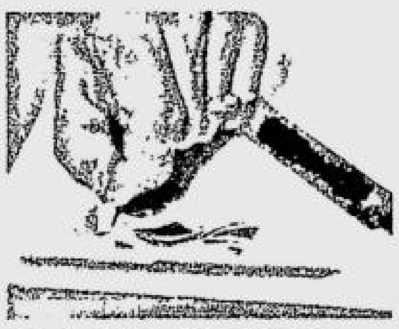
6 **PEEL** off the sticker.

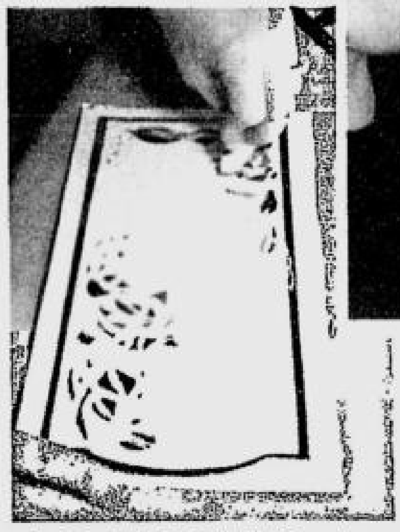

7 **STICK** it on the mirror, careful not to create air bubbles underneath. In this case, you will need another pair of hands. Press well.

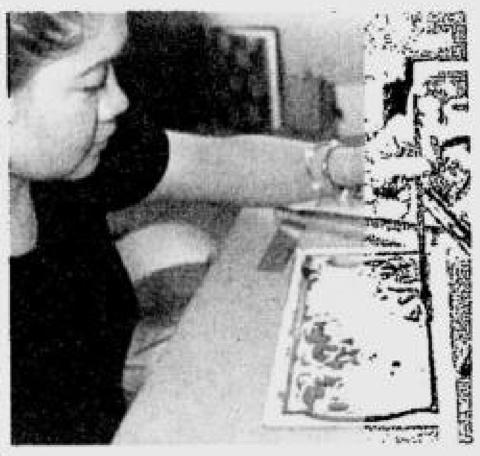

8 **IF** there are air bubbles underneath, slice it using a cutter to take out the air. Do it gently so you don't scratch the mirror.

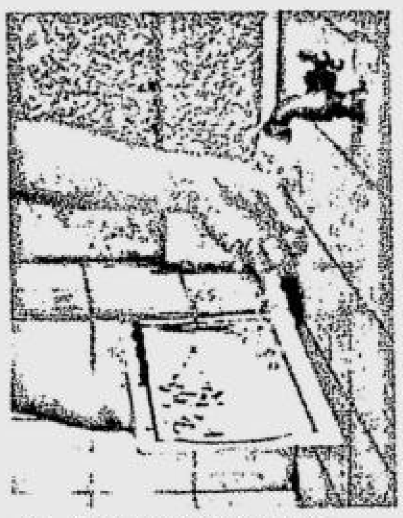

9 **DARKEN** the designed areas using a pencil to help you know which designs to cut later.

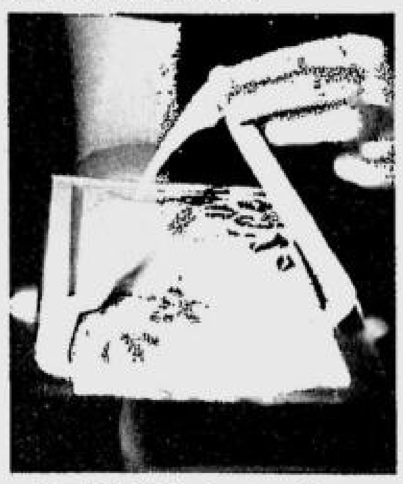

10 **USING** a sharp cutter, strip the darkened portions, careful not to scratch the surface of the glass.


11 **PEEL** off the stripped paper, starting from the tip, to expose the mirror.


12 **AFTER CUTTING**, get a wet cloth and wipe off smudges. Any smudge will not let the solution adhere to the mirror. Finish off with dry cloth.


13 **DIP** paintbrush into the frosting cream. Apply solution equally to the exposed areas. Make the first application fast and quick. Leave for a few minutes. For the second coating, apply a thicker amount of solution and distribute evenly. Leave for one hour for curing period.


14 **CLEAN** mirror under running water, but not directly on the artwork.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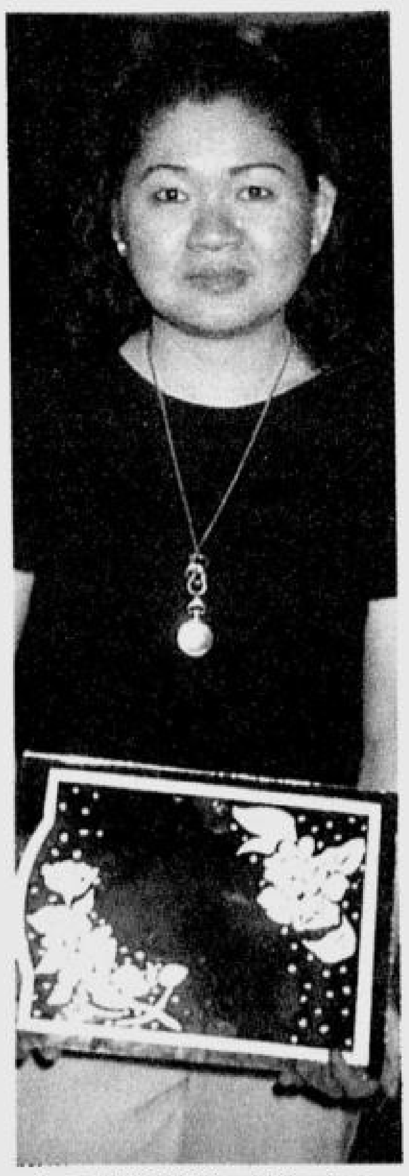
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# Bargain-hunting adventure at Robinsons

ROBINSONS Department Store's (RDS) "Back 2 Cool, Back 2 School" sale is ongoing until May 20. Take advantage of great low prices with discounts up to 50 percent. Bargain hunting adventure starts at 10 a.m.

The sale is at Robinsons Galleria, Robinsons Place (Manila, Imus, Cebu and Bacolod), RDS Cainta, Tutuban Center, Starmall Shaw, Metropolis Alabang and Waltermart Sta. Rosa.

Here are some sale shopping tips from RDS:

- Remember the saying the early bird catches the worm? Well, the early shopper gets to see the best buys first;
- Making a list of the things you need is a proven time-saver. That way, you already know which department to head for once you step inside the mall;
- Come in your most comfy attire so you'll not only shop with ease, but also be able to fit clothes easily. We all know how long the line for fitting rooms can be during a sale. Better yet, wear something you can slip out of easily. If you're shopping with friends, designate a meeting place where you can meet in case you get separated while combing the racks at different sections of the store. Make sure you have your credit cards and enough cash before you leave home.

**SEN. LOREN LEGARDA INAUGURATES MSA**

The MSA Academic Advancement Institute was recently inaugurated with Sen. Loren Legarda-Leviste as guest of honor. Located on Katipunan Road, QC, the institute is MSA's sixth and main branch, and is owned entirely by the Alferez family. From left, Gerard Alferez, Senator Leviste, Merle S. Alferez and Cesar Alferez. Ms Alferez turned over several hundred MSA books to the senator's Libro ni Loren Foundation.

# Fr. Orbos leads pilgrimage to South Korea

FR. Jerry Orbos, SVD, will lead the pilgrimage to Naju, South Korea from June 2-6. He is the the spiritual director of the pilgrimage to the town of Julia Kim, the visionary who witnessed the Blessed Mother shed tears.

Since the event in June 1985, Julia has become a phenomenon in Korea. A chapel of Our Lady was built in Naju and has become one of the destinations of pilgrims.

Travelsmart Tours and Transportation Services travel director Rexie Navarro announced that those who will join the pilgrimage to Naju can meet the visionary Kim during the duration of the pilgrimage. Call 721-7457, 807-9074 and (075) 551-5657.

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# DSWD Secretary graces Unifem, Zonta celebration

**FROM LEFT**, Erlinda Villanueva, Erlinda Panlilio, DSWD Secretary Corazon Soliman and Olga Severino Martel

THE UNITED Nations Development Fund for Women (Unifem) Philippine Committee and Zonta Foundation Phils. jointly celebrated International Women's Day with DSWD Secretary Corazon Soliman as guest speaker representing President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, who was not able to attend.

Unifem was born in response to the call of thousands of women for a fund within the United Nations system to help improve the living standards of women in developing countries and to give them a voice and visibility.

Unifem is an innovative and catalytic fund that supports numerous projects and initiatives that promote political, economic and social empowerment of women and the elimination of violence against women.

On this occasion, Zonta Foundation gave out awards in recognition of outstanding micro entrepreneurs who were beneficiaries of Zonta Clubs and to Zonta Clubs with outstanding livelihood projects. This was in conjunction with the foundation's thrust of developing women to be self-reliant and financially capable.

Among the awardees were Ma. Luisa Megino, outstanding woman micro entrepreneur with Marlyn Astrera as runner-up. The Kabuhayan Para sa Kababaihan project of the Zonta Club of Pateros-Taguig was given the award for outstanding livelihood project while the East Rembo Livelihood Center of the Zonta Club of Makati and Environs was a close runner-up.

Zonta International District 17 also recognized donors to the Zonta Rose Fund, which is used to support efforts to develop and pilot new programs in response to the critical needs of women. Contributions to the Rose Fund are paramount to the enhancement and expansion of service programs as well as the technical support system of the Foundation. A few of the services that receive support from the fund are: The eradication of female genital circumcision, elimination of violence against women, neonatal tetanus immunization and Amelia Earhart scholarships for women in aerospace sciences, among others.

Members of the Unifem Board of Trustees are chair Olga Severino Martel, president Erlinda Panlilio and trustees Beng Puyat, Virma Vergel de Dios, Guia Rijk, Anita Villafuerte, Mabel Abano, Erlinda Pastoral and Betsy Enriquez. Advisers are Leticia Ramos Shahani and Erlinda Villanueva

Zonta Foundation Phils. is headed by chair Erlinda Panlilio and president Herminia Fajardo with trustees Erlinda Villanueva, Anita Villafuerte, Erlinda Pastoral, Lorna Kapunan, Concepcion Basillo, Virginia Segovia and Lourdes Gaskell.

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1) Source: Dietary Fiber of Children:Bogalusa Heart Study 1995;96)
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(2) (Source: Dietary Fiber; A Healthy Discussion)
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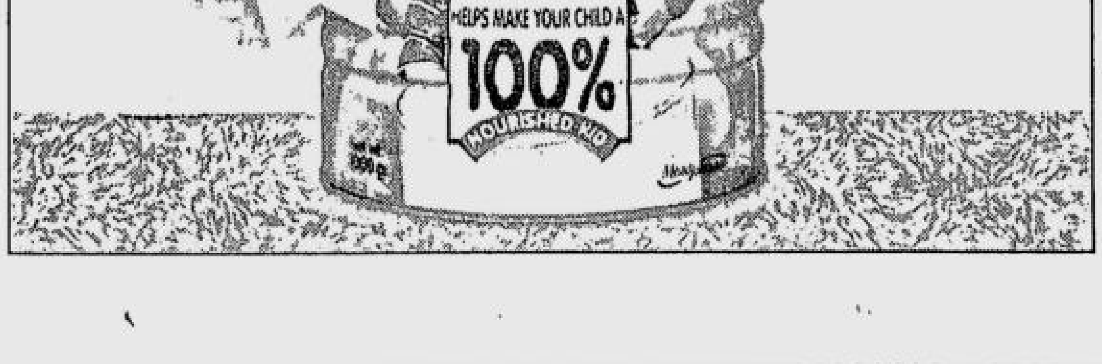


# Déjà vu at Rule of Law Awards

**TEESAW**

*Raul Teehankee*

**PRESIDENT** GMA with Father Nebres

PRESIDENT **Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo** and Chief Justice **Hilario Davide Jr.** were the first two recipients of the Rule of Law Awards given by the Chief Justice Claudio Teehankee Foundation headed by **Cecilia Muñoz Palma** during the foundation's annual dinner held at the Ateneo Law School a fortnight ago.

Always punctual, the President arrived at exactly 7 p.m., and was welcomed by Ateneo Law School heads Fr. **Joaquin Bernas** and Father **Nebres**. Justice Undersecretary **Manuel "Dondi " Teehankee** delivered the welcome remarks and introduced the two honorees.

After the ceremonies, guests proceeded to the Library where Dondi was formally sworn in as Undersecretary of Justice by the President, a position held by our late father, **CJ Teehankee**, from 1967-1969.

After witnessing the oath-taking, I felt a "déjà vu."

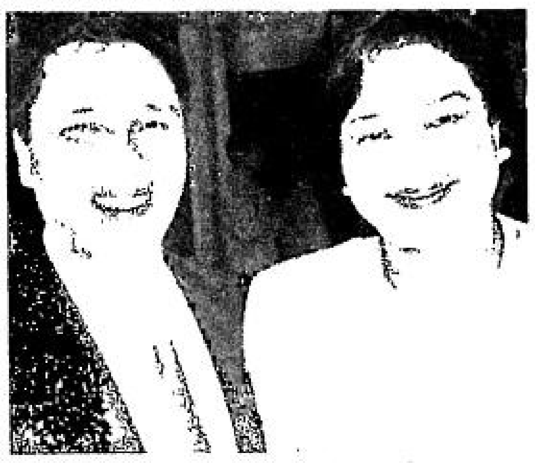
**MARITESS** Pardo Panlilio and Roman Teehankee

**CJ** Davide, Cecilia Muñoz Palma and Fr. Joaquin Bernas

**PRISCILLA** Gamboa and Marilou Varona

**CHIEF** Justice Hilario Davide Jr. and Cynthia Norton

**UNDERSECRETARY** of Justice Manuel Teehankee and Lianna Romulo

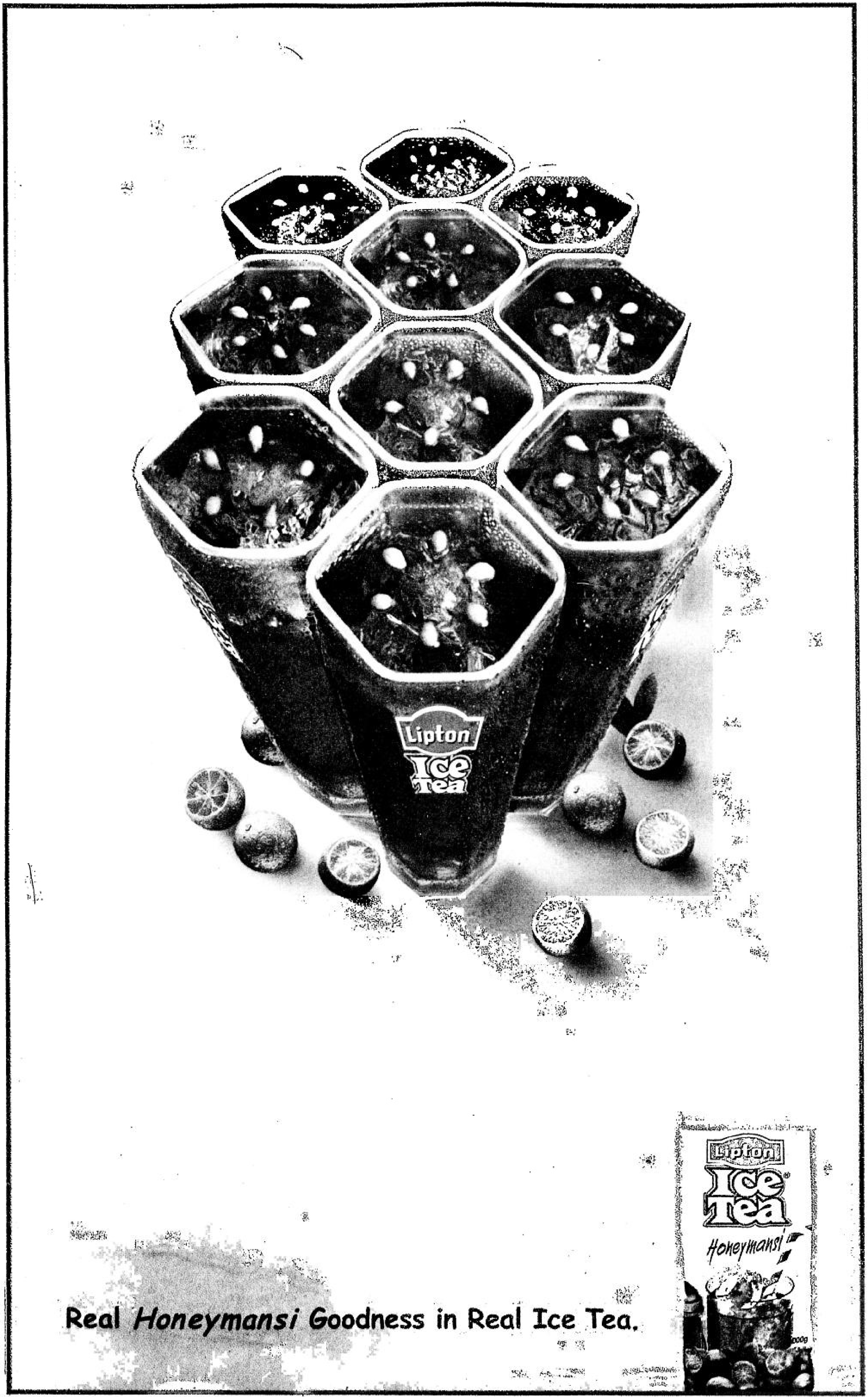


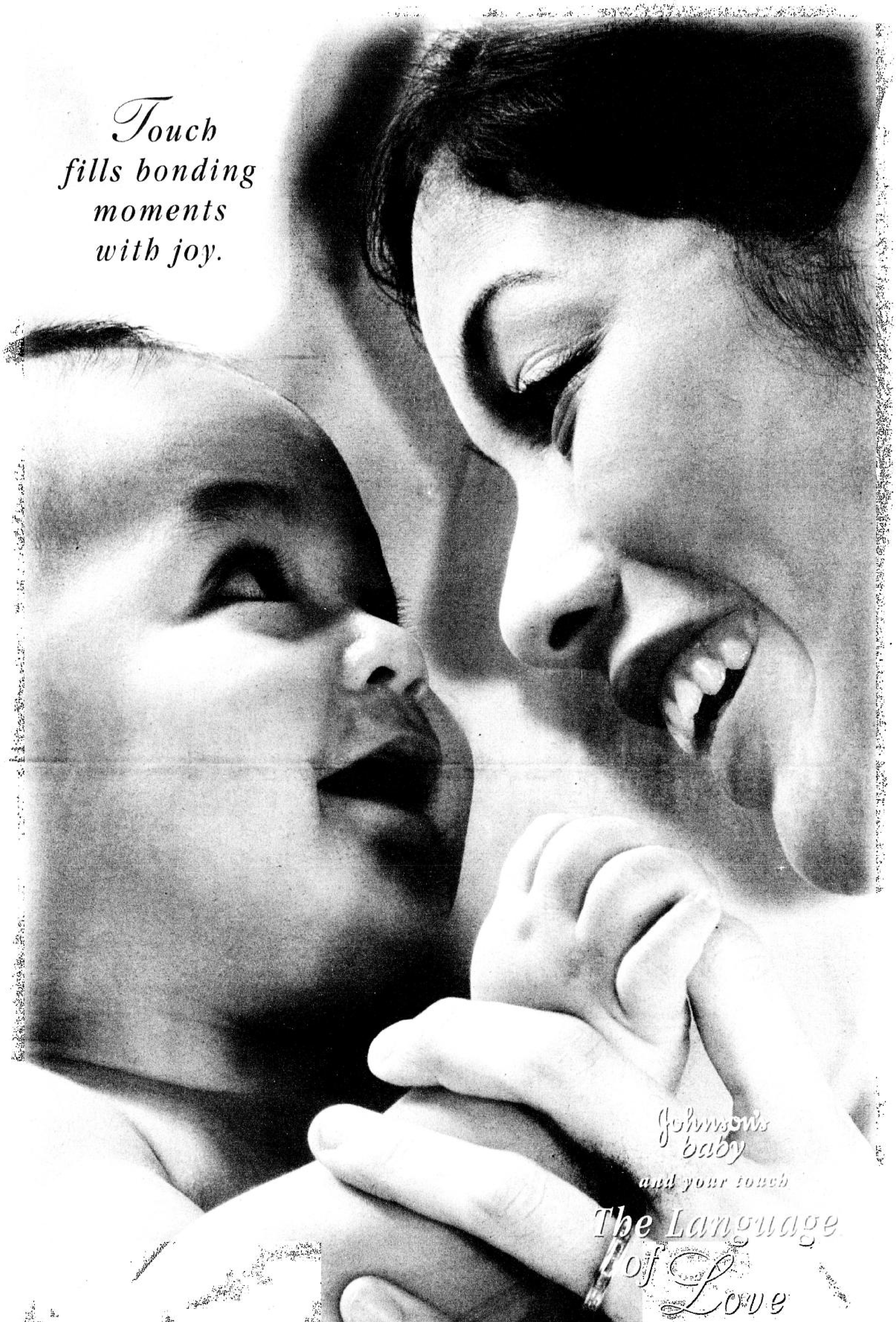
**LAWYERS** Gerry Paras and Jenny Cueto

**DEAN** Cynthia del Castillo with Raoul and Betty Romulo

**VIRGINIA** Davide

**JUDGE** Santiago Ranada

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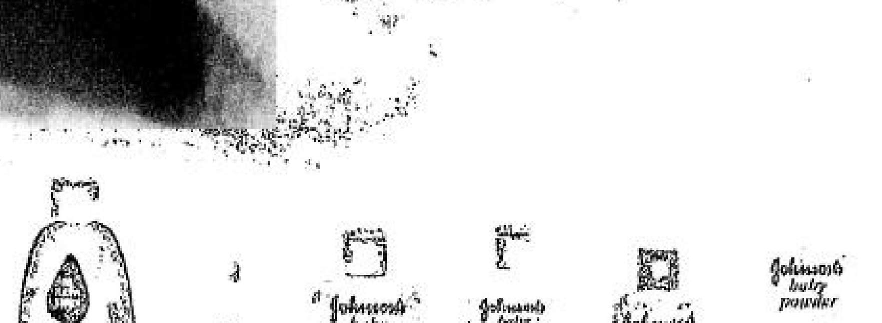
Johnson's baby shampoo
Johnson's baby lotion
Johnson's baby oil
Johnson's baby powder

Johnson & Johnson

**BEST OF BOTH WORLDS.** Imported vegetable oil next to local Baguio oil, just two of numerous grocery items from local and foreign manufacturers.

**PIZZA AMERICANO.** The food-service area offering genuine delights to famish shoppers

Optical Center

**EYE FOR BARGAINS.** An optical shop, one of several ancillary stores inside S&R

# One-stop shop for nonstop shopping

(From page C1)

tries in Latin America and Asia. The Philippine store is its 20th outlet outside the US.

Taking their cue from the Pinoy's penchant of buying in *tinge* (small portions), S&R, for instance, sells shampoos in sachets. Instead of getting them by the piece, though, sachets of Pantene and Rejoice are available by the bag. Perfect, indeed, for those with *sari-sari* stores.

### Fresh goods

Its seafood section also caters to the Pinoy's need to touch, smell and examine the goods they're about to buy. *Pisil-pisilin, amoy-amoyin* and *siyasat-siyasatin.* Mothers probably know what we're talking about. For this purpose, the store had a stall made of identical metal compartments built for its seafood items—a streamlined version, if you will, of steel *banyeras* filled with ice found in Malabon and Navotas.

"We sell fresh seafood every day," Woods assures. "What doesn't sell goes back to the source."

S&R also boasts of an ample meat-cutting and storage section that complies with US standards. Local meats are sold along with cuts from Australia and the US. The produce section carries an extensive variety of local and imported fruits and vegetables such as apples, grapes, oranges, lettuce, carrots, tomatoes, mangoes, even coconuts.

"I'm quite proud of our produce section," says Woods. "We don't carry just apples, we sell big apples."

### Home needs

Hard items are another story. The area is stocked with shelves upon shelves of everything and anything Filipinos would go crazy over: powerful PCs, TVs, stereo components, CDs, airconditioners, electric fans, microwave ovens, rice cookers and various small kitchen appliances.

A section is devoted to clothes—from Dockers slacks to Mossimo jeans—for the young and the young at heart. There's also a wide selection of Levi's jeans, formal pants, baby tees, socks and underwear.

Mommies would find S&R a useful source of US-made towels, pillows, pillowcases, bed sheets, comforters, area rugs, even ironing boards. The store also carries shelves, collapsible tables, cabinets and easy chairs. "We may not be a furniture store," says Woods. "But we carry signature items you won't find in local stores elsewhere."

And, yes, Rubbermaid trash cans, the dark green plastic variety with a pair of wheels and a lid. There are also sundry kitchen helpers—from organizers, trays, garbage bags and cleaners to lighten Mommy's load.

Daddies have a selection of pens, folders, file-o-faxes and traveling bags to choose from. The store also offers an assortment of sporting goods such as basketballs, tennis balls, goggles and flippers.

Looking for fun stuff for the kids? Tents, camping gear, inflatable beds and portable pools with built-in filtration pumps are available. But perhaps nothing can top the huge trampoline hanging from the store's ceiling.

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PRICE
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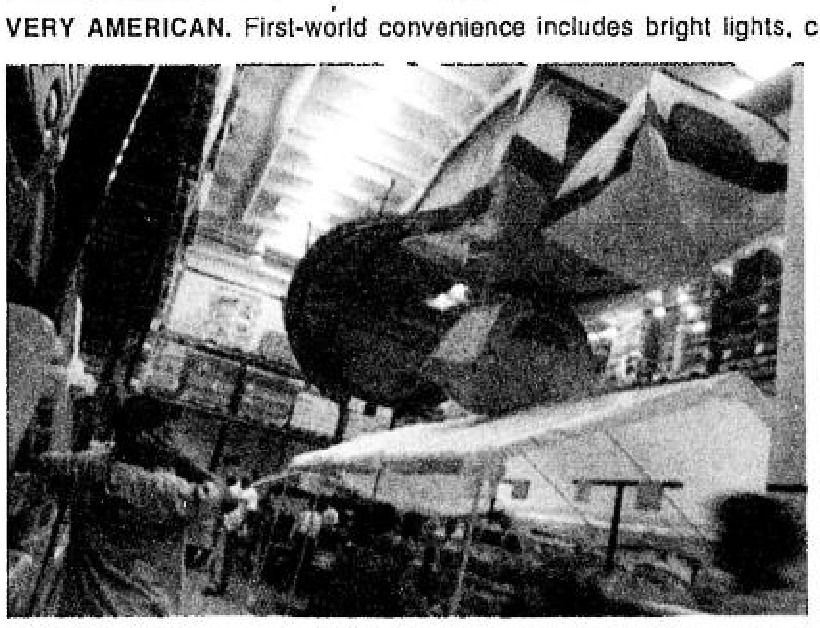
Fresh Express

**VERY AMERICAN.** First-world convenience includes bright lights, cool air-conditioning, wide aisles and shelves upon shelves of local and imported goods.



**OVER THE TOP.** The sporting goods section sells tents, portable swimming pools and, believe it or not, a giant trampoline hanging on the ceiling.

To live up to its name as the ultimate one-stop shop, S&R also houses several ancillary stores: a tire center, photo lab, optical, travel agency and pharmacy, not to mention a video center and a food-service area offering the very same Italian-American delights available in S&R's US-based stores.

### Ten more

Despite the recent political chaos, Woods is confident about future business prospects in the country. "We intend to open 10 more stores in the next two years," he says. "Our next store will be in the Ortigas area."

The initial outlet is owned and managed by PSMT Philippines Inc., a joint venture between an American and a Filipino company. It's also the first of its kind to avail of the government's trade liberalization law allowing foreign retailers and wholesalers to set up shop in the Philippines.

S&R's looming, no-nonsense white building reminds us of similar no-frills structures that dot Subic. No wonder since the store is inspired by similar warehouse clubs in the United States. Aside from McKinley Road, the venue is accessible via the newly built access road to C-5, better known as the Kalayaan-Buendia Flyover.

S&R Price stands for Sol and Robert Price, the American couple who pioneered the membership shopping complex in the United States. Its core benefits to cardholding members are anchored on low prices of goods, high-quality merchandise and services, and excellent value for branded products for less. (Call S&R's hotline at 888-0640 for more details).

And, most important, everyone is welcome to shop and make it an entire family experience. "We allow multiple shoppers to join a specific cardholder," assures Woods. "We love kids here!"

They should if they want to sell to Filipinos, right?

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# Telemarketers are getting to be a big nuisance

**THE CONSUMER**

*Marietta Velasco Giron*

THERE ought to be a law to stop aggressive telemarketers from using the telephone to sell anything. Make it illegal, as well, to access telephone numbers and personal data from classified records such as credit card and telephone accounts, for telemarketing purposes.

It should put a stop to those pernicious phone calls during working hours at the office, or calls at home during ungodly hours. Lately, we have been receiving complaints about aggressive Citicorp telemarketers who even have the gall to page their prospective clients in the office.

A PDI reporter, for instance, was beating his deadline when his phone rang. He ignored the call. But that didn't stop the aggressive telemarketer from asking the operator to divert the call to a nearby phone. Thinking it was an emergency, the reporter took the call. Needless to say, the newsroom reverberated with unprintable words from the harassed reporter.

While writing this column, we also got a call from PLDT. The caller started praising us to high heavens for being prompt with our payments. After the long-winded intro, the caller finally got down to business—offered us direct distance dialing service, lock device and all the perks that go with it.

What else is safe if personal information, such as those supporting credit accounts, can be accessed by unauthorized persons?

### Kid disappeared at playing station

PARENTS, keep your eyes glued to your kids at public play stations, or you'd lose them. Ariston and Armi Suravilla of PCIB-Equitable had the scare of their lives when their daughter disappeared from the Synergy playing station at Harrison Plaza.

Three-year-old Shaira Janine reportedly left the station with a newfound playmate when Mr. Suravilla and the security guard were not looking. "It happened so fast. One minute I was looking at my kid, the next minute, she was gone," Mr. Suravilla said.

No thanks to HP security, the couple found the child near an escalator 75 minutes later.

The kid reportedly had a snack with her playmate and mother. "What I don't understand is, nobody bothered to bring my daughter to the HP security office nor use the paging system of HP to announce they had our daughter," Ariston griped.

### Roasting birthday party

AT THE VERY least, Kenny Rogers Roasters should give customer Jessica Ano a reasonable rebate for inconvenience and embarrassment suffered at the restaurant during her daughter's first birthday party.

Jessica complained: "KRR did not have sufficient air-conditioning system during the noontime party. As a result, we were all perspiring and griping about the heat for the entire two hours. Only one electric fan worked for the entire floor that held 90-100 guests. In fairness, the management provided one more fan toward the end of the party."

That was the major complaint of Jessica. Her other gripe: "We agreed two weeks prior to the party on the Magical Kingdom motif for all the giveaways. What a disappointment to find out that the giveaway bags contained 'Western motif."

The area manager of Kenny Rogers Roasters apologized to Jessica nonetheless. Manager Jet Gamido of operations department assured her that the managers on duty were reprimanded. She also called the attention of all concerned to prevent a similar occurrence.

### Calling Maynilad!

PLEASE set the record straight on Account No. 0009946401-9 in the name of Linda Bolido.

She is being charged for supposedly "unpaid bills dating back to September last year." These were all promptly paid through the BPI, Bolido said.

Per bank statement, these are the payments made by Bolido: P67.93 paid Oct. 20 has acknowledgement number (AN) 000089; P117.34 paid Nov. 23 (AN 02080); P86.45 paid Dec. 23 (AN 01626); P93.56 paid Jan. 21 (AN02327); P77:78 paid Feb. 19 (AN05604).

### Stores keep official receipt

CONCERNED PDI reader in Baguio City wrote: "Why do establishments retain official receipts for purchased items that are redeemed later? My wife picked up a cake she ordered earlier. She was made to surrender her official receipt to the baker, supposedly as proof that the item was already picked up. More frequently, this happens when customers of Jollibee and McDonald's claim the toys or freebees that are offered with the meal.

"I understand the need to prevent duplication of redemptions, but why cannot the receipts simply be marked as redeemed and no longer valid for the freebies or prizes?"

*E-mail the author at mgiron@csi.com.ph*

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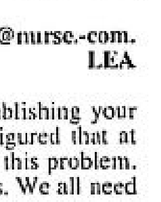
# A three-day diet for a new Mom; what to do about body odor

**LIVE AND LET LIVE**

*Tita Dulce*



DEAR Tita Dulce,

**I read about your three-day diet a few years back and in fact found it very effective. Recently, I gave birth to a baby boy. As expected, I gained weight. However, I lost my copy of that three-day diet. I would appreciate very much if you can send me that list.**

**HEIDI**

I don't recall having written about a three-day-diet. Probably you read it in a food column. If you followed it, you will certainly recall the dishes mentioned. Before I started writing this column in 1990, I had to lose weight because a lady neurosurgeon wanted to operate on my spine.

Here's what I did. For breakfast, toasted bread (sans butter), fruit and fruit juice. For lunch, vegetables, an apple or orange; and for dinner, baked or *paksiw* fish, rice and fresh pineapple. (However, I did not have to undergo any operation. Another neurologist examined me, and all I had was arthritis). I just mentioned that diet as an example.

However, since you have just given birth, go easy. Consult your ob-gyne, and if you are breastfeeding, you need to eat what will increase your breastmilk.

**I have just read again a letter regarding the problem of having body odor in your column. I would like to extend my help not only to that writer but to all others.**

**The good news is that I will not charge them a single peso, but they will be free from the mess of embarrassment. I recommend a brand that eliminates totally the bad odor from the underarm or feet. Probably they will just spend P20 for buying the brand. I cannot reveal here the name so competitors will not get angry with me. I assure you that it is very effective.**

**Anyone interested can e-mail me at leiarroyo@yahoo.com or leiarroyo@nurse.-com.**

**LEA**

I had second thoughts about publishing your letter, but then, on meditating, I figured that at least 8 out of every 10 adults have this problem. And don't worry about competitors. We all need toothpaste, and there are many brands in the market. And here is another concerned reader. I see you are a nurse, this one is a busy mother.

**There have been several instances that I wanted to write you regarding body-foot odors but I've been busy. This morning, however, I read again in your column about this problem. I want to be of help to these people.**

**A powder which is available at Mercury Drug Store (not available at other drugstores), costs less than P10 per sachet which can be used for half a month. It is called Litharge powder. Friends with this seemingly hopeless problem have found out that the powder works. I also assure you I am not in any way connected with this company.**

**A CONCERNED MOM**

Thank you for your concern. Mercury Drug Store will be happy about your letter, but will probably be sorry that the other brands against underarm odor will remain on their shelves.

# Satisfying one's hunger for love, justice, peace and wisdom

**MUSTARD SEED**

*Joseph Galdon, S.J.*

HUNGER is a major problem in our world because it affects both our physical and spiritual lives. Physical hunger can be very negative. But the moral hunger for love and holiness is very positive.

It is very good if we are spiritually hungry because it is essential to our human nature as sons and daughters of God. At lunchtime the other day, a friend of mine asked me if I was hungry. She laughed when I said: "Yes! I am hungry. I am hungry for love." It is okay, of course, to be hungry for *merienda*. But it is much better to be hungry for the Body and Blood of Christ and for spiritual life and holiness.

At Mass, Jesus said: "Happy are those who hunger and thirst for holiness, for they will always have their fill. Not on physical bread alone does man live but on spiritual bread as well—everything that comes from the mouth of God." Because we are human beings we do get physically hungry. But we also ought to be hungry for holiness and love—hungry to help those who are in need, hungry for peace, for wisdom and understanding, and always hungry for God and love.

## Desire to help those in need

In his sermon in the Synagogue on the Sabbath day, Jesus quoted Isaiah: "The spirit of the Lord is upon me. He has chosen me to preach the good news to the poor, to proclaim release to captives, bring sight to the blind and set at liberty all those who are oppressed."

The desire to help our brothers and sisters—the poor, the sick, those who are in need—should be one of the greatest hungers in the world. Cardinal Kim in Korea said: "Only those people who serve the cause of the poor, the suffering and the oppressed, are genuine human beings—the true sons and daughters of God."

The synod of Bishops in 1974 also said: "Our human dignity is rooted in the image and reflection of God in each one of us." St. John wrote in his epistle that: "If anyone has all the world's goods, and sees his brother in need, but closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?" We can be hungry for material self possessions, but we also ought to be hungry for those who are in need.

One of my favorite Jesuit hymns says: "We will give them bread till their hearts are satisfied!" Filling the stomachs of the hungry is relatively easy. But satisfying the hearts of those who are sick or oppressed or worried is a lot more difficult.

We should be hungry for justice—that is the care of those in need. A spiritual writer said: "We ought to be hungry for bread because we need the bread of sustenance for a poor family's starving baby. We need the bread of understanding for our own children, and the bread of friendship for our spouse. We need the bread of companionship for a lonely old person, or for a friend in trouble. We need bread of forgiveness for those who have hurt us, especially for those who have hurt us badly. We need the bread of reconciliation for those whom we have hurt."

I like Anne Morrow Lindbergh's poem on St. Christopher, who was a great symbol of care for the poor and for those in need. Anne wrote: "Christopher, you chose to bear a brother's load. You ferried on your back across the river every man who traveled down your road. One night beside the stream there stood a child who cried and begged safe passage to the other side. The child weighed upon your back like lead, like earth upon the shoulders of the dead. Struggling to the bank while the current whirled, you found that the world leaned on your shoulder in that child. You carried in your arms all men's happiness and all men's pain."

## Need for peace

Our world needs physical peace, but we ought to be hungry for spiritual peace as well. Jesus told his disciples: "I will give you peace. My peace I will leave with you!"

When we have good relationships with God, with our neighbors and with ourselves, it prospers holiness and then we are at peace! Isaiah said: "Peace is the fruit of holiness and of justice for the poor." Vatican II said: "Peace is the fruit of love."

Sr. Mary Ignatius wrote a poem in 1942 about her lack of internal peace: "It's this that makes my spirit spin, my bones to quake, my blood run thin, my flesh to melt inside my skin, my very pulse create a din. It's this that makes my spirit spin—that peace is not here within!" It's true, isn't it, that we can be pretty miserable if we do not have the peace of God within us. That is why we should always be hungry for the kingdom of God and for peace within us.

## Life with wisdom

Wisdom is spiritual thinking on how to be holy. One of the biblical scholars says wisdom is spiritual intellectualism and holy intelligence. It is the ability to judge what is true or false, what is right or wrong, and what is proper or improper. Wisdom which ought to be our hunger is really holiness. God loves all those who live with wisdom and all those who live in holiness.

Solomon, who was the biblical expert on wisdom, said, "Wisdom is an emanation of the glory of God. It is a reflection of eternal light. It is an image of God's love and goodness. Wisdom is more splendid than the sun. Wisdom outshines the stars. It orders all things for good and holiness." Solomon also said he was very hungry for wisdom: "I was a very happy boy. I had a good soul. I loved wisdom and searched for it from my youth. I fell in love with wisdom's beauty! (He had a crush on wisdom!) I wanted wisdom to be my bride. Because when life is shared with wisdom there is no pain—only happiness and joy."

Life with wisdom is a good marriage. That is why we ought to be hungry for wisdom. Love and holiness is the wisdom we should be hungry for.

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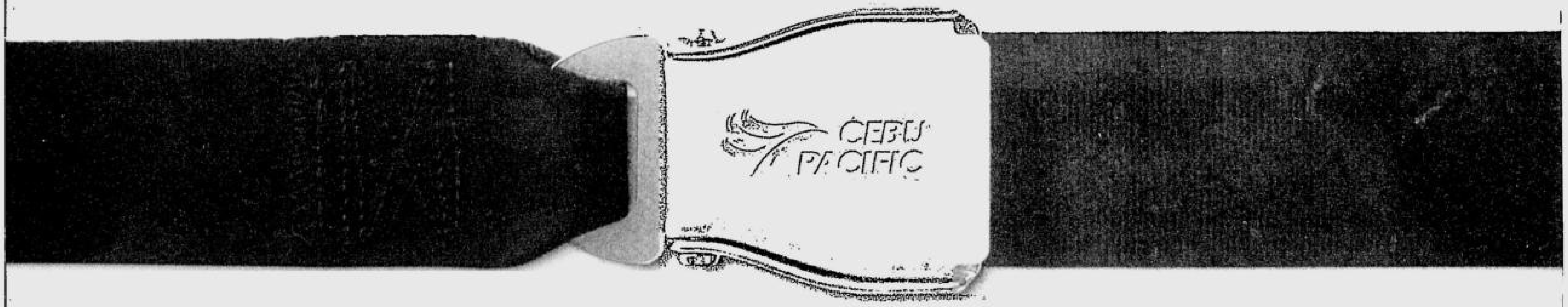

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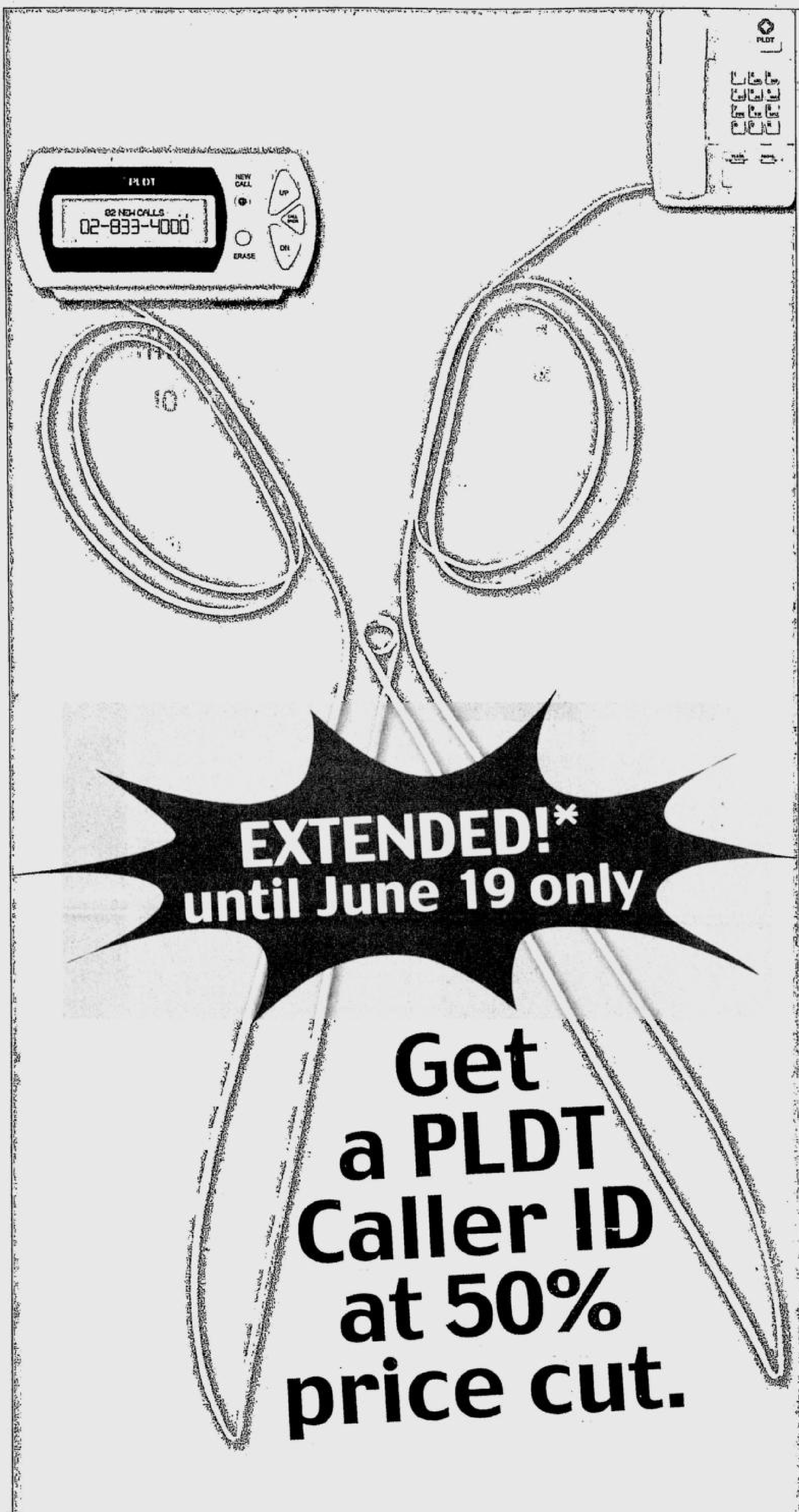

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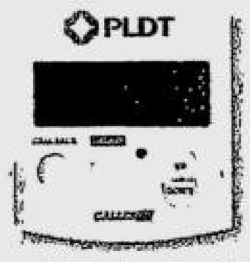

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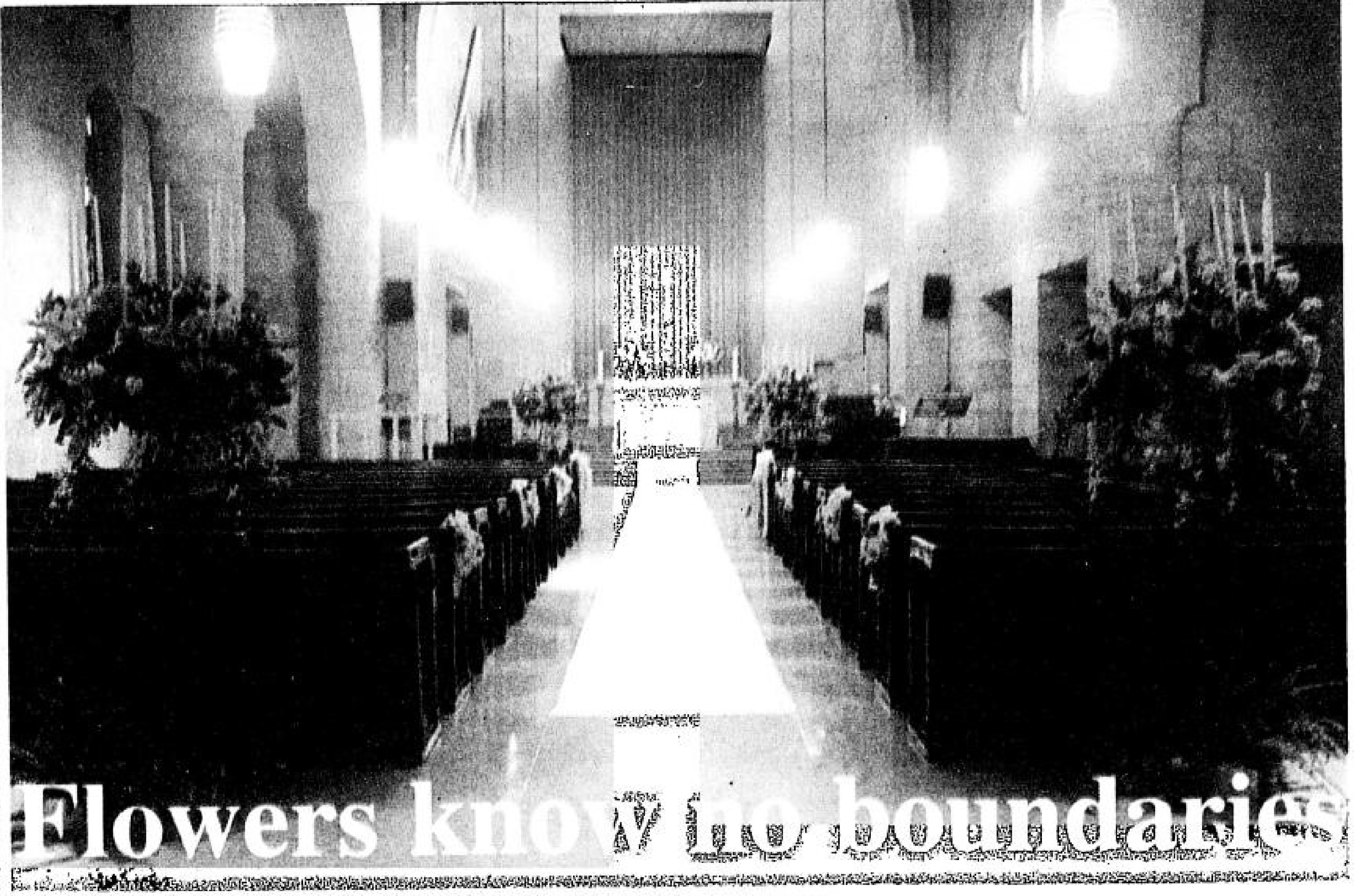

# Flowers know no boundaries

**MEDLEY** of candles and flowers for the church. . .

. . . and as centerpieces at the wedding reception.

By Sonny O. Sta. Maria

**HOW real is the June bride? "It's a myth," declares Dennis Josue, designer and co-owner of Fantasia Floral Design in New York City. He should know. Weddings keep him busy virtually the whole year at his shop in the Upper East Side of Manhattan.**

**DENNIS** Josue

How did the idea of the June bride come about? According to the website www.soapmeister.com/junebride.html, people long ago took a bath and had their new clothes sewn in June. Consequently, the June bride became an ideal because she was newly bathed and clothed.

"Why would anyone have a wedding in June?" asks Josue. "The heat in New York City is oppressive during that month."

He has observed that September, October and November are busy months for weddings. He explains: "September is the start of the school year. People have come back from vacation by that time. Plus gardens are still alive. October and November are cool months."

January and February are also popular months for weddings. He adds: "People want to have a good start for the year. They also feel prosperous. The generosity of the holidays in December spills over in January. Because of Valentine's Day, February is an appropriate wedding month."

What is a blackout period? "From Thanksgiving in November to the holidays in December," he replies.

Aside from weddings, Josue does floral designs for upscale hotels and residences. He has been included on New York City's best lists such as the Zagat Survey and the Robb Report. His celebrity clients include fashion designers Josie Natori and Diane von Furstenberg and Town and Country editor in chief Pamela Fiori.

Josue never dreamt of being a florist, much less in the world's greatest city. However, he is strongly attached to his roots in the Philippines. He attributes his creativity to his involvement in theater and music at the San Beda College, where he finished high school. "I learned a lot from the academics and extracurricular activities," he remembers. "Leody Martinez, who now lives and teaches in Sydney, was an inspiring history teacher.

Josue incorporates Philippine indigenous materials into his designs. To cover a vase, he sometimes uses *sinamay*, the coarse cloth made from abaca fibers, which comes in different colors. "The texture makes everything interesting," he reveals. "I can easily mix and match, depending on the flowers involved." He also uses Philippine baskets and antique pieces.

He is planning to open a branch in Manila. "Flowers know no boundaries," he says. "They're enjoyed by people everywhere."

But aren't flowers temporary? "Yes, they are. Face it. Nothing lasts forever in this world," he admits. "That makes flowers precious because they're only around for a brief time."

To Josue, flowers have an inner purpose. "Flowers reflect life and death," he says. "Plus, they leave behind memories."

Will his branch in Manila be called Fantasia II? "No, it'll be called Reality!" he quips, "because Manila is the real thing for living and loving!"

*E-mail Dennis Josue at fantasia_flowers-@yahoo.com*

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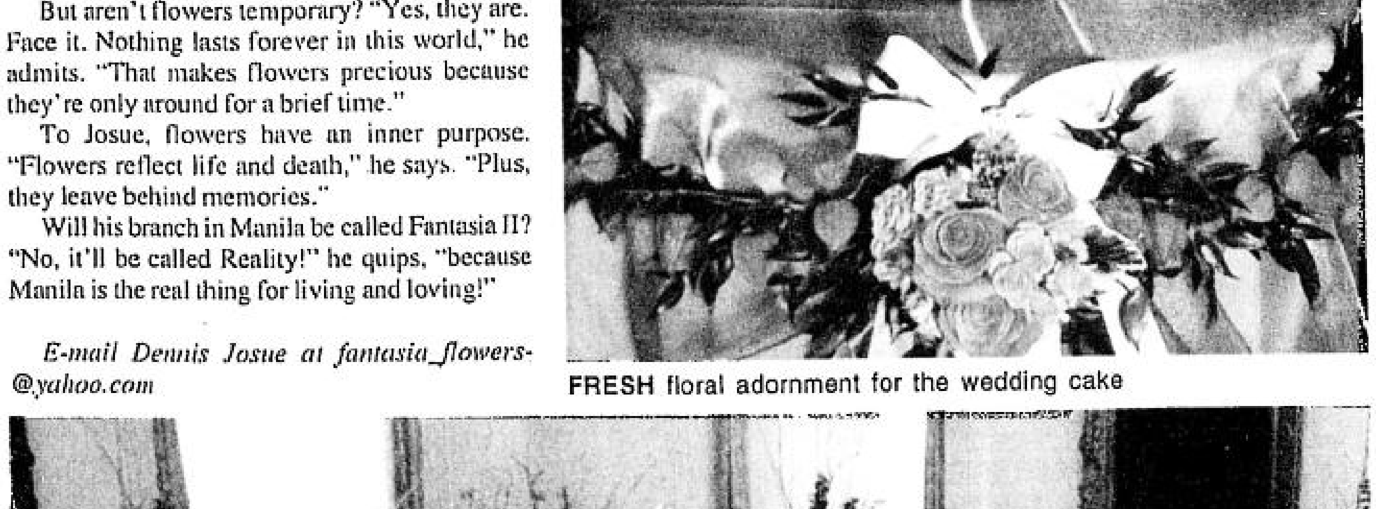

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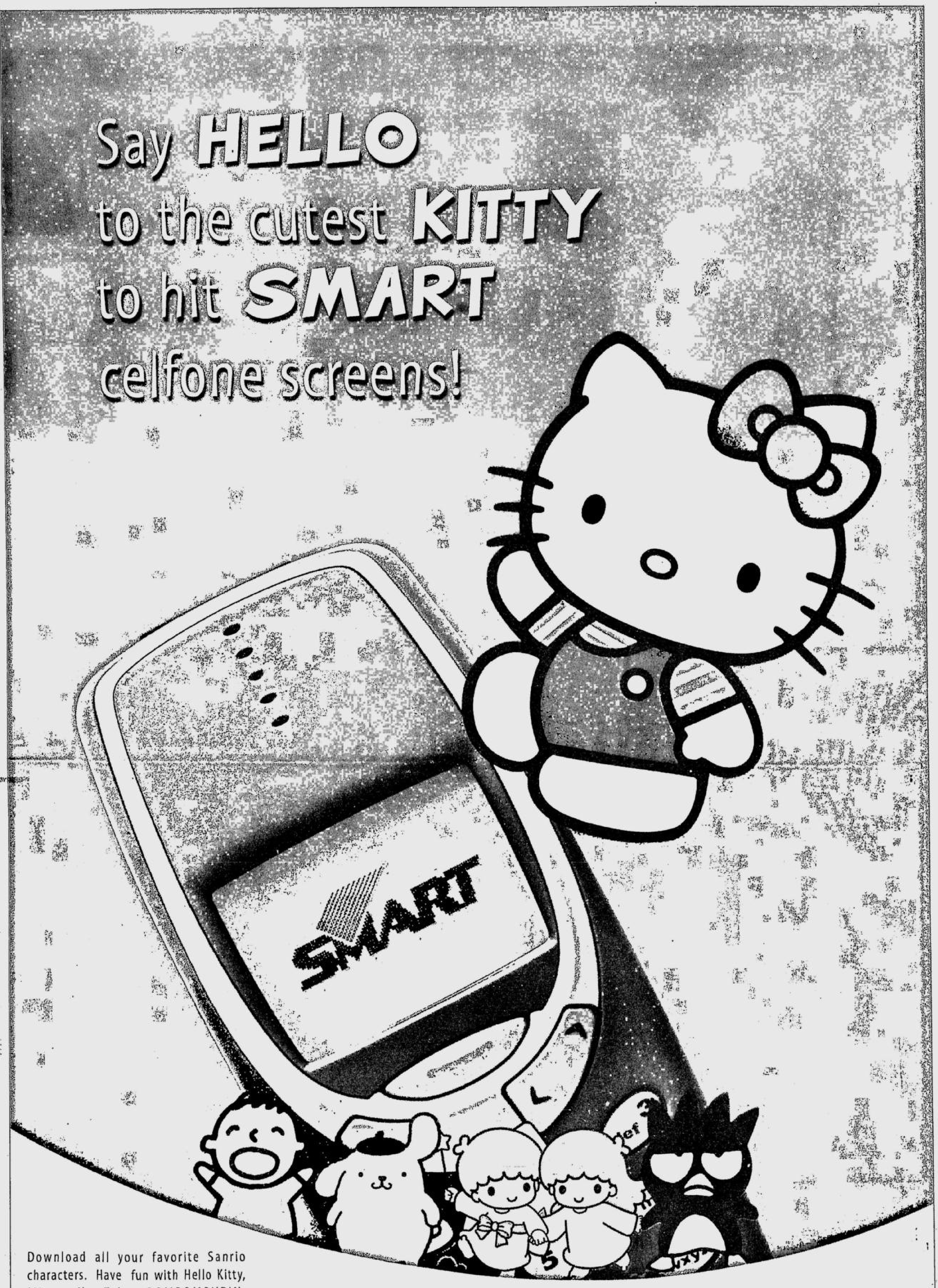

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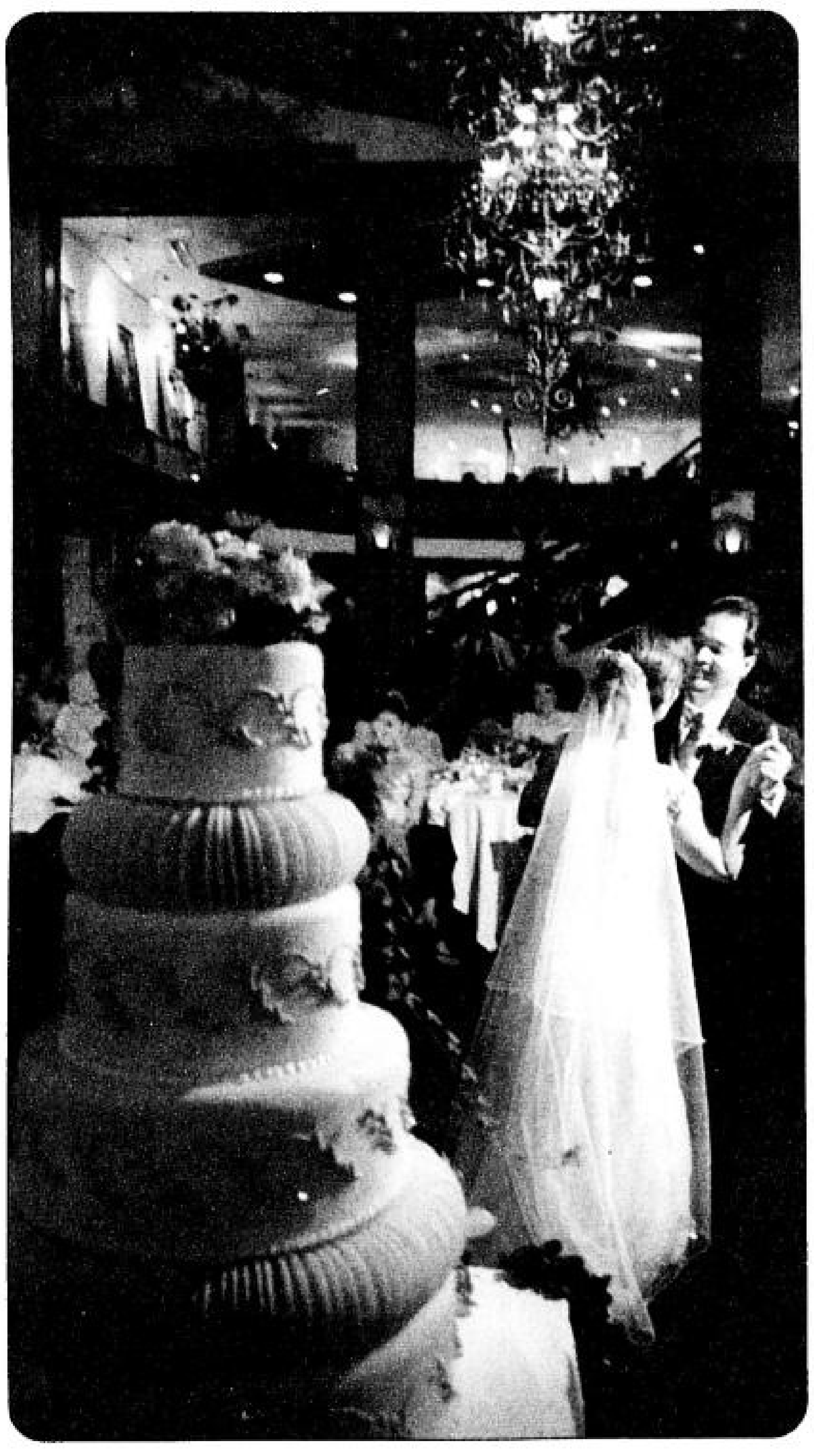
# A love story of surviving the odds

**DOCTORS Victor B. Lopez and Dominga "Minguita" Padilla, two of the country's foremost ophthalmologists, finally took their vows as husband and wife in a heartwarming ceremony at the Santuario de San Antonio, Forbes Park, after going through a romance that has withstood interesting nuances.**



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To the first chords of a soaring à cappella version of the beautiful classic ballad "Ikaw" by the UP Singing Ambassadors, Minguita—resplendent in her beaded *piña* gown and absolutely radiant—took to the aisle, alone, in a beautiful homage to her father, the late Justice Teodoro Padilla. This lyrical tribute by Minguita moved everyone, with many friends visibly touched by her devotion to her father, unabashedly shedding tears, as Vic finally brought her to the altar. His brother Dr. Oscar Lopez, stood as Best Man, with Ana Regina L. Guevarra, the Matron of Honor. Charming nieces Ma. Isabel and Ma. Ines Padilla sprinkled the aisle with flowers, with Teodoro D. Padilla III bringing forth the coin and rings for the couple. Teodoro B. Padilla Jr., meanwhile, hosted the affair.

Rev. Credo Sabado delivered the homily. It was a ceremony where every song and phrase was absolutely apt. Maite Gallego Zaldarriaga, Bea and lawyer Eddie Lizares read from the Holy Scriptures, while lawyer Binoy Padilla IV, Louise B. Padilla, Cecile Lopez and Dr. Mariano Lorenzo brought forth the offertory gifts.

Principal sponsors to this splendid affair were Jean Belling Lacerna, Prof. Araceli Baviera, lawyer Rosalinda Tablante, Ambassador Tomas Padilla, lawyer Sabino Padilla III and Dr. Raul G. Fores. Anna Marie O. Padilla, Dr. Vicki Belo and Dr. Carmela Ongsiako-Isabela, Dr. Bobby Magsino, Dr. Benny Santos and Dr. Alvin Santos comprised the secondary sponsors.

As the choir rejoiced with "Sing, Oh, Heavens," the couple emerged from the church to the joyous throng who showered them with fresh petals. Seen at the wedding were Dr. and Ms Ramon Ongsiako, chair, Makati Medical Center/ Ophthalmology Department; Dr. and Ms Ramon de Jesus; Dr. and Ms Tim Jimenez; Dr. and Ms Manuel Hechanova; Dr. and Ms Fil Felix; Dr. Angelita Reyes and most of the staff of the Department of Ophthalmology.

Also present were Judy Roxas, Dr. Randy Francisco and wife Irene Martel; journalists Conrad de Quiros and Nelson Navarro, Max Soliven, Minguita's high school friends, Dr. Noel Chua, Dr. Rolly Aguilar, Dr. Tony and Dr. Pearl Tamesis-Villalon; lawyer Alex Padilla, Gigi Padilla, Josie and Ernest Rufino, Dr. Ike and Dr. Susan Campos, Dr. Dindo and Dr. Carmela Ongsiako-Isabela, Rody and Judith Pajaro, Mahmood Farasdaggi and many more, who came to see Vic and Minguita fulfill what life has fated for both of them.

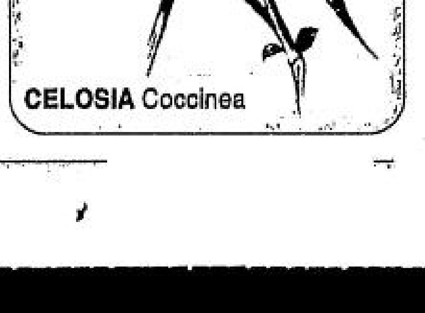
**NEWLYWEDS** Minguita and Victor

## *Printed and fresh flowers on exhibit at San Agustin*

THE SAN Agustin Museum celebrates this month with a unique exhibit of botanical plants, a charity fair of prints and Floras de Filipinas at bargain prices and a colorful mini *santacruzan* on May 23, 5 p.m.

The exhibit will feature 19th-century botanical prints by illustrious Filipino and Spanish artists, among others, Agustin Saez, Francisco Domingo, Lorenzo Guerrero, Miguel Zaragoza, Rosendo Garcia y Baza and his brother, Regino Garcia y Baza, Cayetano Aguelles, Felix Pardo de Tavera, selected from the award-winning de luxe edition of Blanco's "Flora de Filipinas" and a display of gowns worn by the *zagalas* at the traditional Flores de Mayo procession.

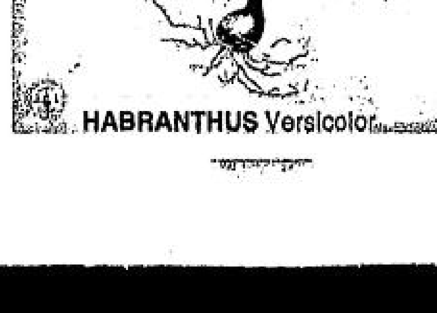
Blanco's "Flora de Filipinas" was the culmination of his life's scientific work in the Philippines (1804-1845), compiled and printed posthumously from 1877-1883. This three-volume work was exhibited in Amsterdam in 1883 and awarded the Extraordinary Mention of Honor for Science. A facsimile edition of "Flora de Filipinas" containing 479 color plates was reissued by the San Agustin Museum in 1993.



**CELOSIA** Coccinea

The exhibition will also feature some of the actual plants found in Father Blanco's 19th-century botanical garden located in Intramuros, as well as plants owned by noted horticultural groups like Philippine Orchid Society, Floral Arts and Crafts Design Center, Ikebana International Manila Chapter, Ikenobo-Ikebana Society of Manila, Ayala Alabang Garden Club, Philippine Horticultural Society, Philippine Bonsai Society, Makati Garden Club, Society of Filipino Florists (Inc.), Las Piñas Garden Club, Los Baños Orchid Society, Antipolo Horticultural Society, Fern and Nature Society.

Sets of "Flora de Filipinas" and separate color prints will be available at discounted prices. Souvenirs await the first few guests to attend the opening. The proceeds will go to the Historical Foundation of Father Blanco's Botanical Garden, for the garden's preservation and restoration. The exhibit will be on until middle of June. Call 526-6794 or 527-4060.



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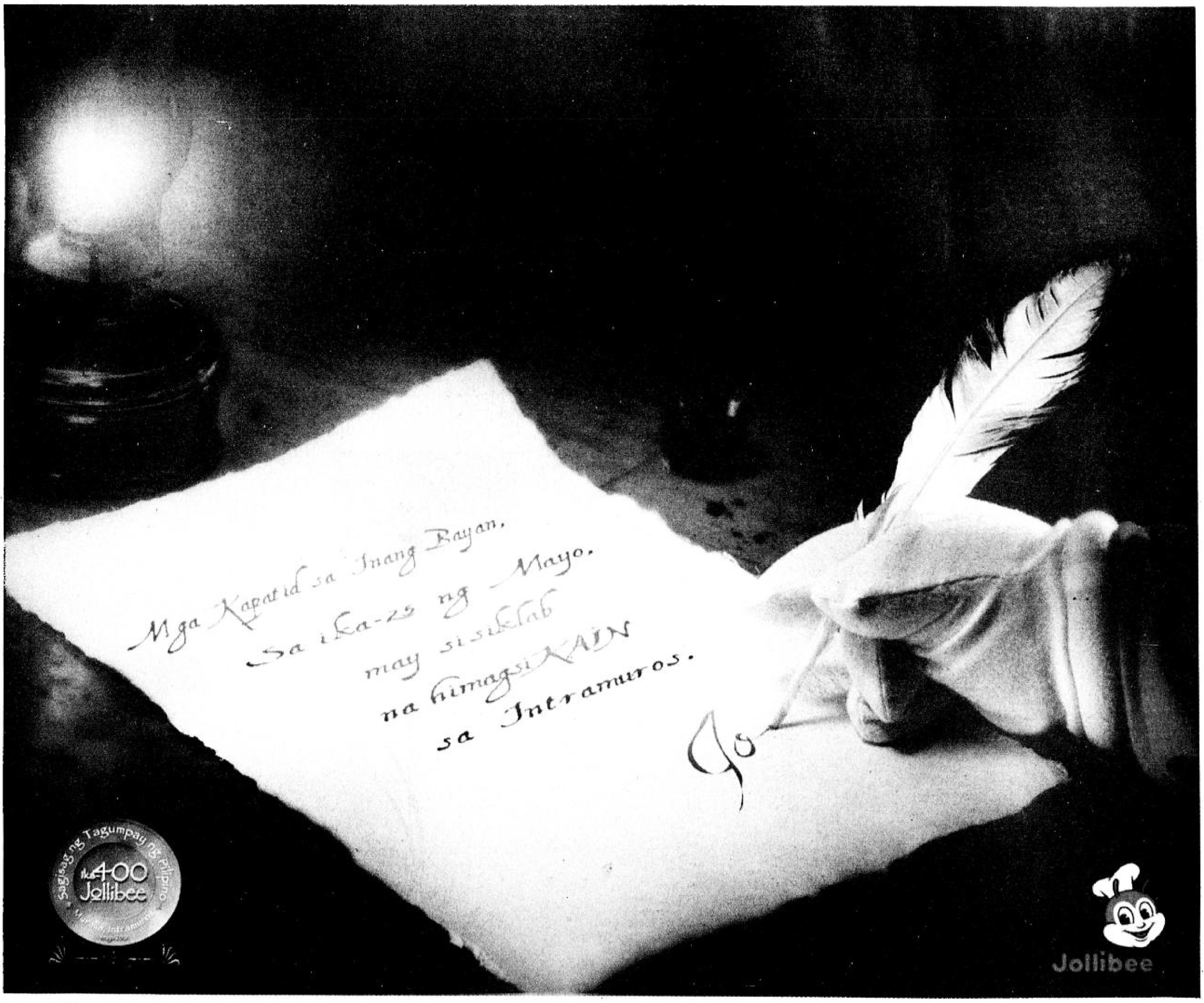

# She can't let go of an ex-boyfriend whom she met eight years ago

### LOVE NOTES

*Joe D' Mango*

DEAR Joe,

Call me Shielou. I am 20 years old and a third year college student here in Manila. Let me take you back to my second year in high school. My aunt's househelp went on vacation and didn't come back. So she decided to recruit helpers from Samar.

After a couple of weeks, the helpers arrived: one houseboy named Wilfred and househelp named Letlet. I got along well with them and even treated them like friends. Wilfred always cracked jokes and I often laughed with him. One day, he admitted that he felt something for me but he was hesitant to say so. We were not compatible intellectually and financially. But after a few days, he courted me. I found myself falling for him and that was the start of our secret love affair. We almost forgot ourselves one night when only the two of us were left in the house but I refused and I didn't give in to his lustful desires. He asked me to elope with him. I told him to wait until I was old enough.

I really believe that love is blind. He was not good-looking and he only finished grade six. I was thinking that if we end up together, we will not be able to survive and send our children to school. In spite of all these, I still loved him. He was my first love and probably would be my last. Eight years have passed and up to now, I still can't forget him. Two months ago, we took our vacation in Samar and I saw him again. He's married and they're expecting a baby in December. I was so hurt. I wanted to cry but I couldn't. There are guys who are courting me but I don't take them seriously because I couldn't find someone like Wilfred. What should I do to forget him? How should I react if someone should come out and tell everyone about our affair? I belong to a well-known and rich family while Wilfred comes from a very simple family. How would I explain it to my family and friends? Should I deny him? Please help me.

SHIELOU

People who have loved deeply would know that letting go isn't always easy. Some people have a way of locking someone in their hearts for a long time, holding on to some hope that one day they can be together again.

Each day, as they wait, is filled with silent and empty longing. They shy away from others who try to break the walls they have built around themselves. They live and survive but deep inside they are lonely and miserable. Sheilou, your secret affair has been buried for eight long years and I honestly don't see any reason why you have to tell everyone about it. You simply have to learn to accept your fate and forget Wilfred. You cannot live on memories alone even if these bring warm and pleasant thoughts. Memories can slowly trap us in our own world of empty hope and broken promises. Sheilou, you cannot open a new chapter in your life without closing the previous one. Nothing lasts in this temporary world we live in. Everything that is born dies. Even the people we love go away for good. That is why there is always a time for good-bye. It is a sad word but it is the only thing that keeps the past where it should belong. When we say good-bye we put an end to what has begun. When we let go, we give ourselves the reason to live a new life and find the real love that has been kept away from us by the crippling memories of the past.

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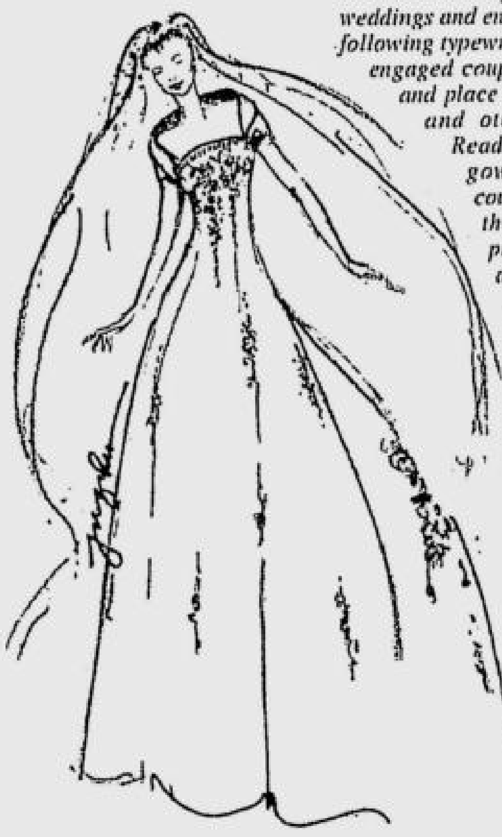
### MANIKAN-ALCAMPADO

**Romeo Caesar L. Manikan Jr.**, son of city treasurer **Romeo Manikan Sr.** and **Emilia R. Leal**, will wed **Eireen P. Alcampado**, daughter of **Renato P. Alcampado** and **Edmunda U. Pido**, on May 26 at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Jaro, Iloilo City. Reception will follow at the Hotel del Rio, Iloilo City. The bride's gown was designed by **Chay Cabrera**.

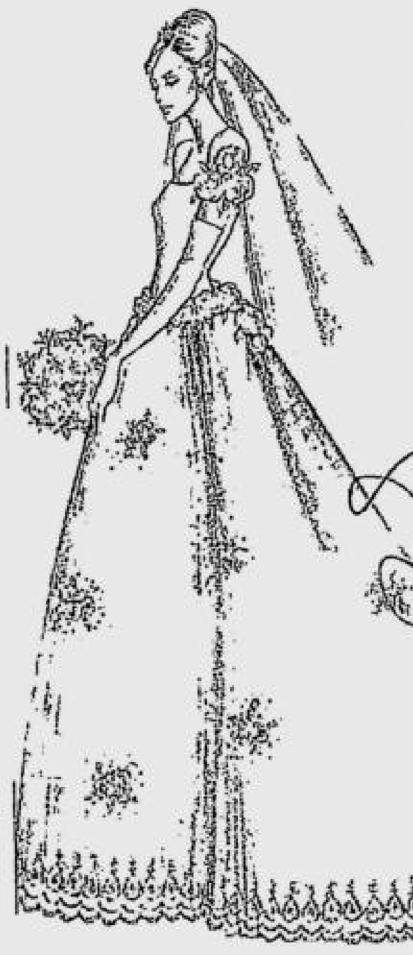
### VILLACORTA-BASUIL

**Cielito Rene "Sol" N. Villacorta**, son of **Clonito C. Villacorta** and **Lydia de Nuevo Villacorta**, will wed **Myla Basuil**, daughter of **Ernesto R. Basuil**, on May 28 at St. Jude Parish, Malvar Extension, Davao City. Reception will follow at the Woodridge Park Country Club, Masa, Davao City. Wedding coordination/décor concept style will be executed by **Tata S. Soriano** while the bride's gown will be designed by **Rudy Lamanilao**.



### SANTOS-ESCOLAR

**Claudine Legarda Escolar** wore a gown designed by **Jing Chua** when she married **Emmanuel Sonora Santos** at the Santuario de San Antonio Church, Forbes Park, Makati. The gown was made of off-white duchess satin, strapless princess-cut embellished with rhinestones and caviar beads in beige and cream.



### REYES-CALLEJA

Engineer **Jose** and **Beatriz Reyes** announce the marriage of their son, **Jose Angelo**, to **Maria Regina**, daughter of **Capt. Juan Isidoro** and **Carlota Calleja**, on May 24 at the Shrine of Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, Manila Bay, Pasay City. Reception will follow at the Coconut Palace, CCP Complex Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City. **Ben Farrales** designed the bridal gown and the whole entourage.

### PAGUIA-SANTOS

**Ronald Allan Paguia** wed **Helen Grace Santos** on Dec. 28 at the Manila Cathedral. Reception was held at the **Villa Immaculada Garden**. The bride wore a beaded gown by **Larry Espinosa**.

### MEER-CASTILLO

**Phoeve Castillo**, daughter of **Emiliano** and **Lucena Castillo Sr.** of Bauan, Batangas, is engaged to **Erick Meer**, son of **Eusebio** and **Loreta Meer** of Sto. Tomas, Batangas. The wedding will be solemnized at the Manila Cathedral, Intramuros, Manila on June 17. Reception will follow at the Centennial Hall, Manila Hotel. Principal sponsors are Chief Justice **Hilario G. Davide Jr.**, **Myung Min Huh**, Brig. Gen. **Marciano R. Ilagan**, **Charlie Bautista**, **Danny Juangco**, **Clifford Que**, **Polly Hernandez**, **Greg Marajas**, **Perla Castillo**, Dr. **Neth Castillo-Cariño**, **Rosemarie Ilagan**, **Milagros Rosario**, Dr. **Karen Gonzaga**, **Marissa Macaisa**, **Helen Villarino** and **Estella Espayola**. Phoeve will wear a duchess satin gown by **Pilar Pineda**.

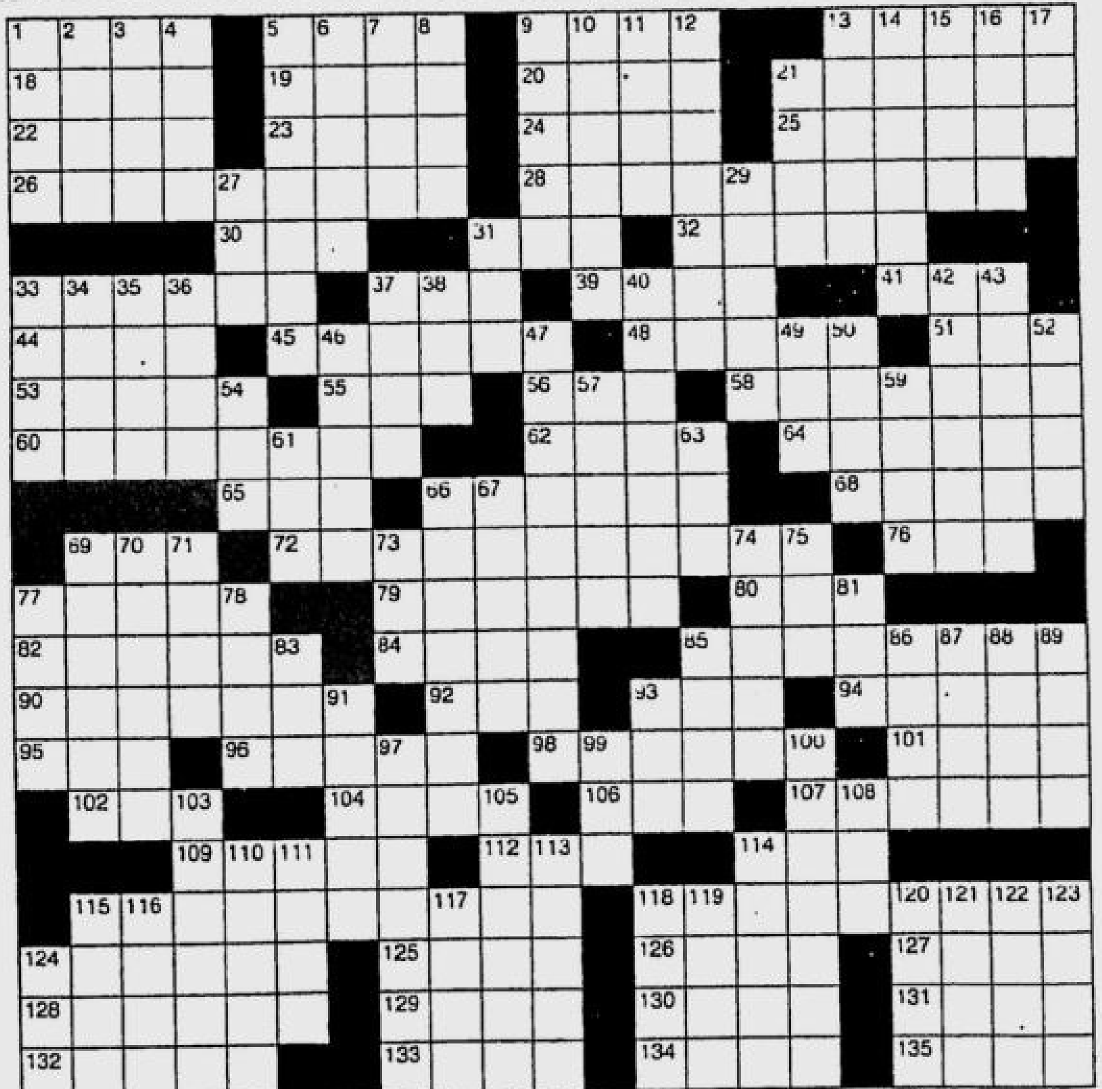
### FABIAN-REDUTA

2nd Lt. **Eloise Sotero C. Fabian Jr.**, son of **Sotero P. Fabian Sr.** and **Patria R. Casilan**, married 2nd Lt. **Maria Rita A. Reduta**, daughter of **Amando P. Reduta Jr.** and **Adelina M. Alcantara**, on Dec. 27, 2000 at the Holy Child Chapel, Fort Bonifacio, Makati City. Reception followed at BNS Officers Club Social Hall. The ceremonies were officiated by Rev. Father **Adison**, Capt. **Lucy Jose Malagueno** and Mayor **Benifranco M. Rada**.

### IMSON-ARANJUEZ

**Henry Cruz Imson**, son of the late **Jose** and **Consolacion Cruz Imson**, will wed **Jenny Agustin Aranjuez**, daughter of **Roberto** and **Leonora Agustin Aranjuez**, on June 9 at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, San Marcelino Street, Malate, Manila. Reception will follow at Ramon Magsaysay Center, Roxas Boulevard, Manila. The wedding gown and entourage was designed by **Dovie of Malabon**.

## SUNDAY CROSSWORD



### FAUXCATIONS

**ACROSS**

1 Slightly open
5 Celt
9 Lose one's fur
13 Orchestra section
18 Ahmedabad attire
19 Voice type
20 Munich mister
21 Proof-of-purchase, often
22 Skip
23 Skeleton part
24 Proficient
25 Second Triumvirate member
26 Soda jerk?
28 Laundry CEO?
30 Revolutionary Guevara
31 Opie's aunt
32 Drawing room
33 "NYPD Blue" creator
37 — sauce
39 Dandelion or darnel
41 Neutral color
44 Soap additive
45 Charlotte, for one
48 Sacred song
51 Swell place?
53 Psychedelic Timothy
55 Wharton's "The — of Innocence"
56 Gram lead-in
58 Golf instructor?
60 Deli worker?
62 Shoot down
64 Tristan's tootsie
65 Qty.
66 Gimpel and Jong
68 Writer Rogers St. Johns
69 Existed
72 Gas station attendant?
76 Hook's mate
77 Criticizes
79 Mischievous
80 Mauna —
82 Dental appointment, e.g.
84 Manuscript imperative
85 Yacht peddler?
90 Roller coaster operator?
92 — Dawn Chong
93 Baby beaver
94 Record player
95 Actor Chaney
96 Attract the IRS?
98 Minnie of "Circle of Friends"
101 Sturdy trees
102 Inc., in England
104 Spare fare
106 Mrs. McKinley
107 Unrefined
109 "Midnight at the —" ('74 hit)
112 Joplin composition
114 Good buddy
115 Herpetologist?
118 Phrenologist?
124 Fiesta target
125 Bring to ruin
126 Austin or Garr
127 Fancy fabric
128 Starting point
129 Sentence pt.
130 Ornery Olympian
131 Spoken
132 Prevent
133 It may be spare
134 Writer Harte
135 Guarded

**DOWN**

1 Beginning on
2 Actress Gertz
3 Neighbor of Cal.
4 "Puttin' on the —" ('83 hit)
5 South American cowboys
6 TV's "Kate & —"
7 Italian rumbler
8 Bank offering
9 Contour
10 Semitic tongue
11 Perry's creator
12 Dons one's duds
13 Sonata movement
14 Range
15 College collar
16 "Stop!"
17 Sneak a peek
21 It's often jumped
27 Travel agcy.?
29 Egyptian statesman
31 "Later!"
33 Cinderella's soiree
34 Spread in a tub
35 Nag subtly
36 Towel word
37 Regret audibly
38 Wordsworth work
40 Certain inscription
42 One of the Judds
43 It's in the groove
46 Page or LaBelle
47 Waugh's "Brideshead —"
49 Fragrant neckwear
50 Butte
52 Surface measurement
54 Singer Sumac
57 Texas river
59 Cryptanalyst's concern
61 UN agency
63 City in Kyrgyzstan
66 New Haven hardwood
67 — -dope (Ali tactic)
69 Pop Art pioneer
70 Impassioned
71 "Graf —"
73 Fleur-de-—
74 Raise spirits?
75 Parisian potentate
77 Monastery garb
78 Computer command
81 Matterhorn, e.g.
83 Potok's "My Name Is Asher —"
85 Hindu deity
86 Restaurateur Toots
87 Ditch under a drawbridge
88 Egyptian symbol
89 Investigative
91 Chatter box?
93 Baby butter
97 Cause confusion
99 Fix a fight
100 Courbet, e.g.
103 Pharmacist's concern
105 Wall Street figure
108 Half and half?
110 Moving
111 Mikita of hockey
113 Battery part
114 Kind of soup
115 TV's "Spenser: For —"
116 "What's — for me?"
117 Cross inscription
118 Use a dagger
119 Gourmet Graham
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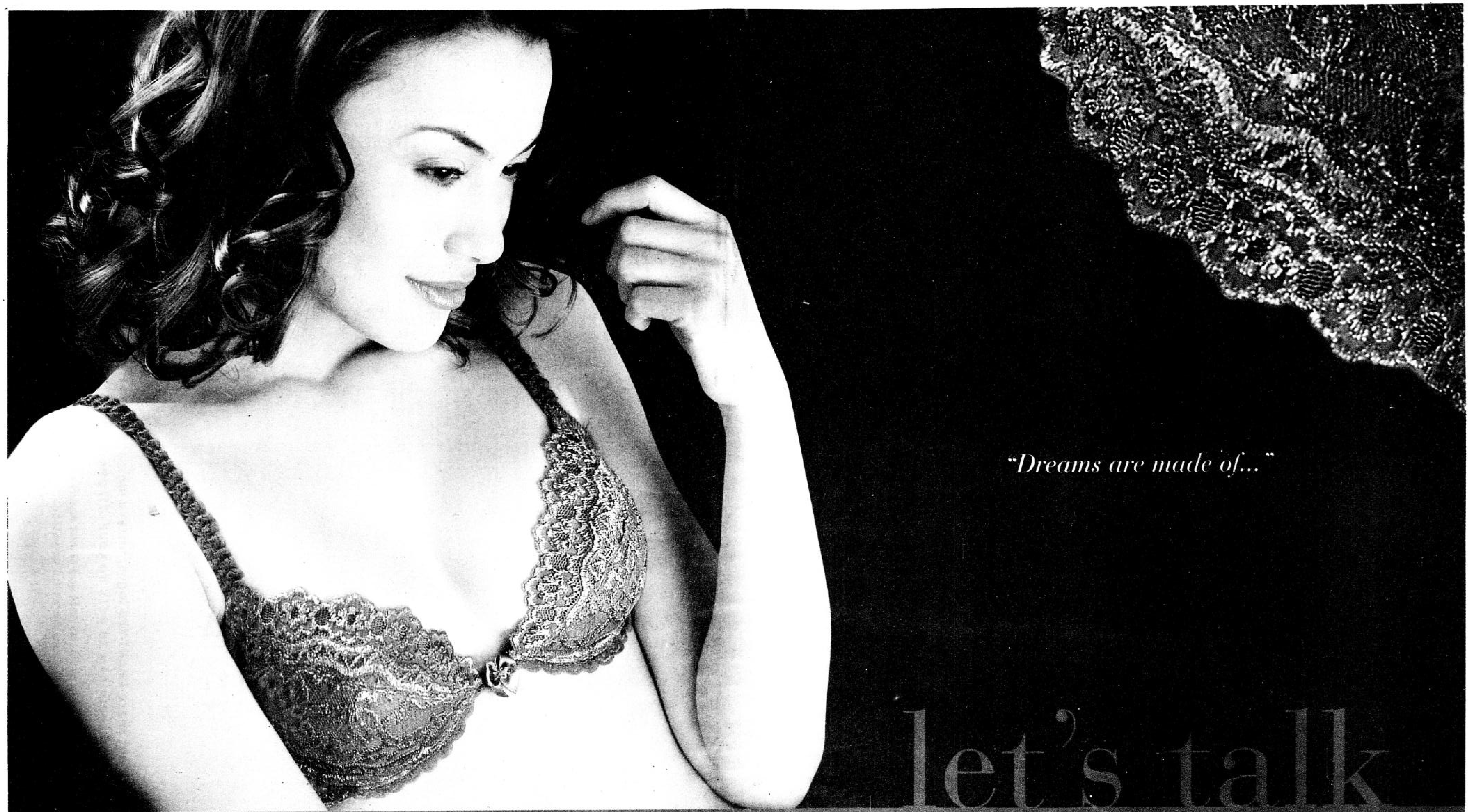

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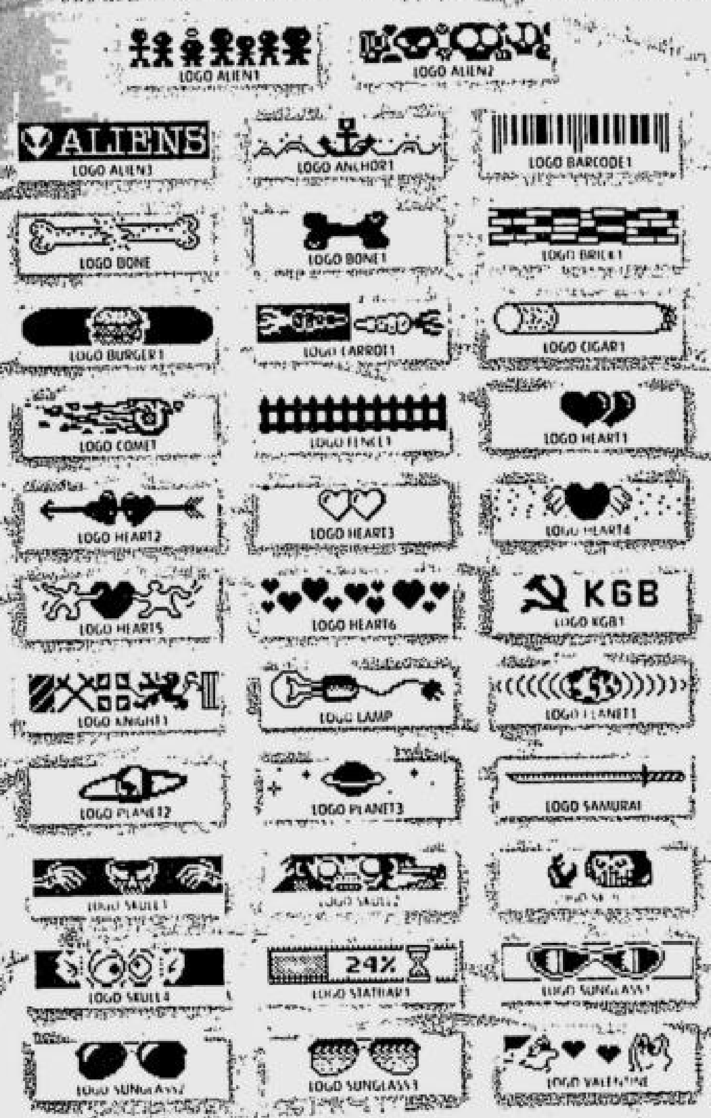
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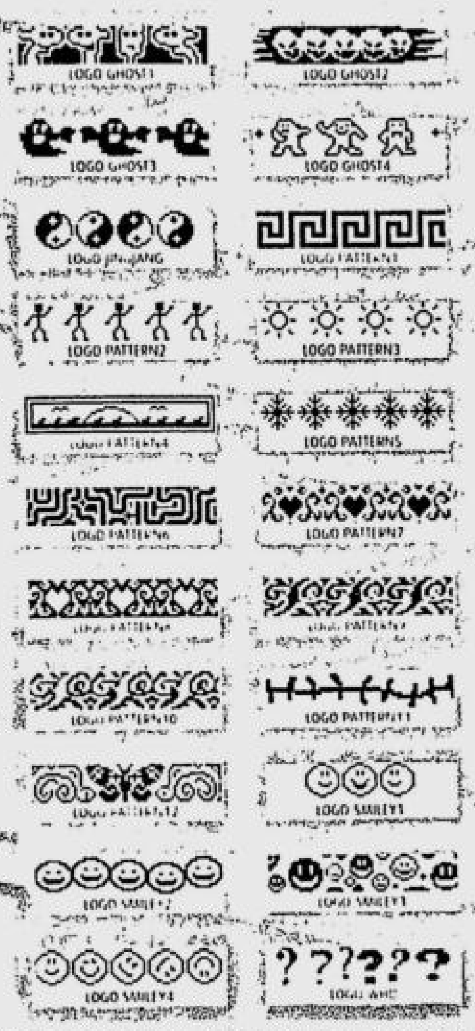
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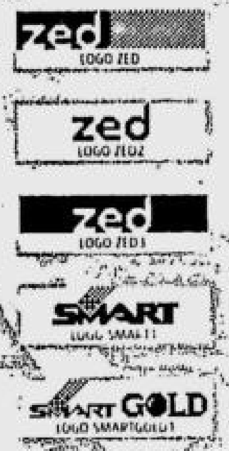
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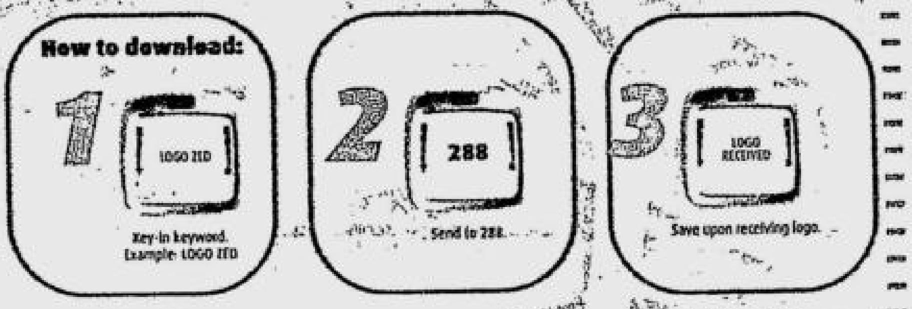
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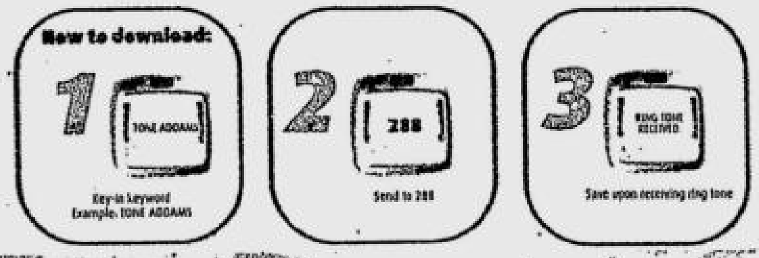
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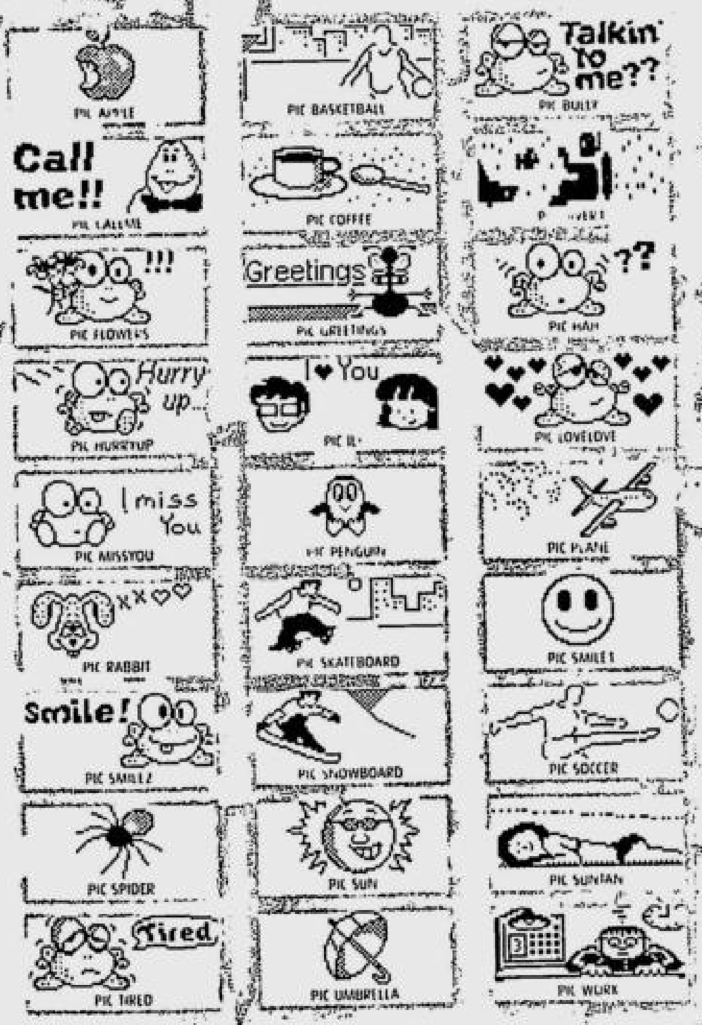
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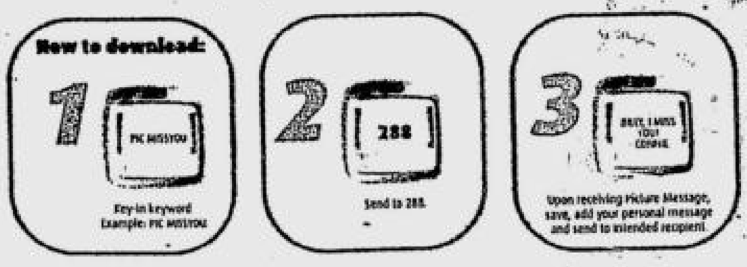
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RICHARD GORDON ON TOURISM

# 'We've been sleeping the last 30 years'

**PLAYTIME**

*By the staff*

RICHARD Gordon is running up and about, doing everything to wake up the sleeping giant that is Philippine tourism.

It's a role that is tailor-fit for Gordon, everyone's favorite Boy Scout. During his first days in office, he picked up litter in the streets, setting an example that tourism starts with cleanliness. Little acts like picking up litter have transformed Subic into a showcase of Filipino resilience and vision, and Olongapo into the clean and well-run city it is now. It is hoped Gordon will infuse some of the magic he has done for Subic and Olongapo into tourism.

Gordon, the braggart that he is, wants to do more than that. He does not want only to improve tourism, he wants to foster a "culture of tourism."

"Today, I feel I have already won my fight in tourism," he said. "Why? I pick up litter in the streets. Because of the brouhaha, when I went to Iligan, *ang linis*. They told me, 'Sir, *hindi po namin kayo papayagan magpulot ng sigarilyo dito.*' I hope the same thing will happen in other places."

**Why did you accept the DOT post?**

I vowed never to accept an appointed position. I never did like appointed positions. I thought, in this country, appointed officials are subject to all kinds of vicissitudes, all the slings and arrows of men and women who may not appreciate the whole picture all the time… Government is like a whole movie. You have to wait until it is finished. If one is sincere, one knows where he's going... [But] the President was the one who called. Actually, it's [former Executive] Secretary [Renato] de Villa who called me for the President. I didn't say yes right away.

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> Tourism is a show-off job. It's a country that says, Come to our shores, look at our discipline, look at our sights—not just what God gave us but what we can do about it

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**What made you accept?**

I was prepared to give the President conditions. Tourism has always been run by people with different strengths and agendas. In the past, all the department heads were appointed by the President. And if it's a political president, like in the case of the past administration, he would have you as tourism secretary and he would have somebody else at the PTA [Philippine Tourism Authority]. This guy would report directly to the President and you're riding a chariot of five horses. One goes to the left, one goes to the right, one moves forward and backward, and one is prancing up and down. No wonder you have two-million tourists only. There was no effort to try and get the whole tourism show off to the world. Tourism is a show-off job. It's a country that says, Come to our shores, look at our discipline, look at our sights—not just what God gave us but what we can do about it.

**And not just at our women.**

That's right. Our country has "mediocritized" itself practically. I know these are big words that may be twisted. I have to be careful now that I'm in the national spotlight. But that is a fact, I have to say it. We have been given the quick fix all the time, the handle: *Ako'ng bahala sa iyo, madali 'yan, kuha ka lang ng balikbayan*… But never the effort like, "Let's make this place spotlessly clean. Let's put more trees out there."

I agree fully that, at the rate we are going, we're not gonna get any business done in this country. It takes time to bring in an industry. Industry shifts where it's cheapest. They manufacture in one place because it's cheaper there... But tourism we can do, if we're serious. We don't need much infrastruc-

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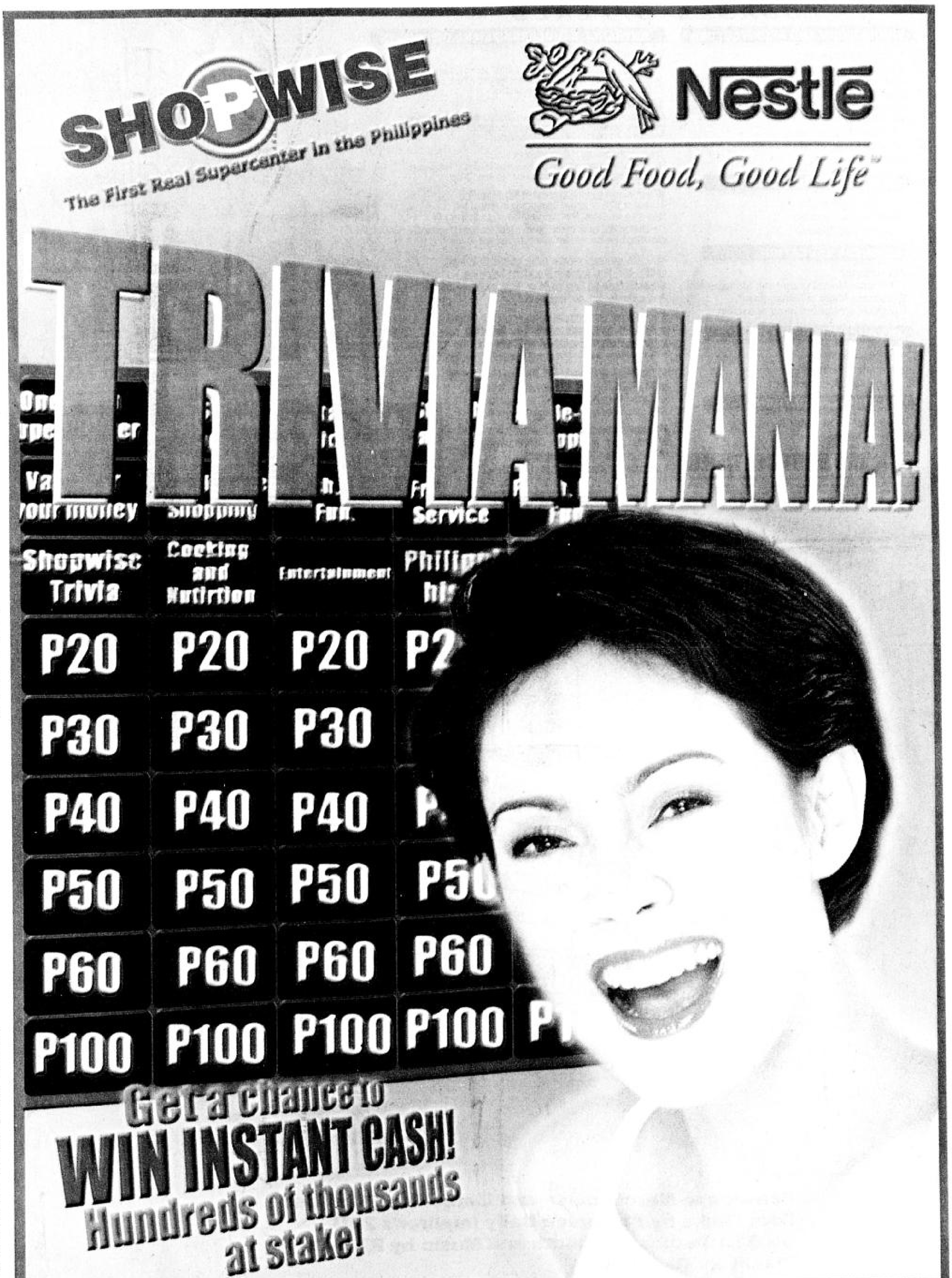

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# Mobile phone gets people on the go going

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Particular to them is the high-end technology and breakthrough service offered by Globe Handyphone, the country's leading cellular network provider.

Among this highly mobile and productive set is Kay Katigbak, senior TV producer for "Che-Che Lazaro Presents." Working in a program devoted to traveling, Kay has had numerous occasions to be thankful for her Globe Handyphone. "It's the easiest way to get in touch, move around and coordinate stuff—like having a dependable colleague around all the time," she says.

Having taken her unit in many countries, she recalls memorable instances when her Handyphone's global networking allowed her to communicate with her friends from Manila and even access InfoText to obtain location info while shooting in Italy. During her free time, she resorts to using her GenTxt card to unwind, watching free movies and getting discounts from her favorite establishments.

"With Globe's WAP service, I'm even starting to e-mail my staff," says sales director Gaine Dusaban Jr. "I access traffic reports and CNN headlines while on the road. It's a beauty to be able to do my work wherever I want. Even when I'm abroad I feel like I'm still here," he gushes. Being particular with customer service, he adds, "I admire the way Globe takes customers' problems seriously. It even delivers a new phone or SIM card as replacement in case of loss."

For a modern woman balancing a hectic career and housework like Lolit Rhinos, Globe Handyphone is also very indispensable. As the VP-CEO of an IT company, "I run a home of a husband and five kids while managing a company through constant communication," she explains. With her GlobeXplore SIM card, she says she gets the day's appointments and discusses issues during the drive from home to office.

Being able to readily communicate with workmates and family gives her greater confidence even when she's abroad. "One feature I really love is the $.40 a minute IDD call anytime to anywhere," she says. "Globe is really very innovative in the use of technology to come up with exciting services."

"Hands down, Globe offers better service and excellent features," says Gerard Garcia, executive vice president of Dutch Boy Phils. The thing that has him going for Globe is the strong signal and wide coverage. "Even from my home in Antipolo, I get full bars. I was also in the United States for three weeks and got clear access and connection."

Cost-wise too, Globe is unmatched. Gerard says he's now making calls more often since "there's really not much difference in cost," he explains. Management, he claims, is even thinking of cutting down on the number of landlines in the office "because everybody is already Globe connected."

In the case of Samson Javellana, senior vice president for operations of the PNOC-Energy Development Corp., a Globe Handyphone call is even of utmost importance to the whole nation. "One power plant down can affect the operation of the national grid system, so it's important that I communicate with my staff immediately. My Globe Handyphone lets me do just that," he says.

With a critical job that takes him around and out of the country, he says "more often than not, I get a clearer signal using my Globe than my landline." In his free time, he loves forwarding messages and graphics, and texting the whereabouts of his kids. "It's comforting to know where they are and that they can easily reach me," he smiles.

Career-driven, travel-oriented and definitely Globe Handyphone devotees, these five individuals represent the type of new business leaders mobilizing their lifestyle and taking charge through efficient cellular communication.

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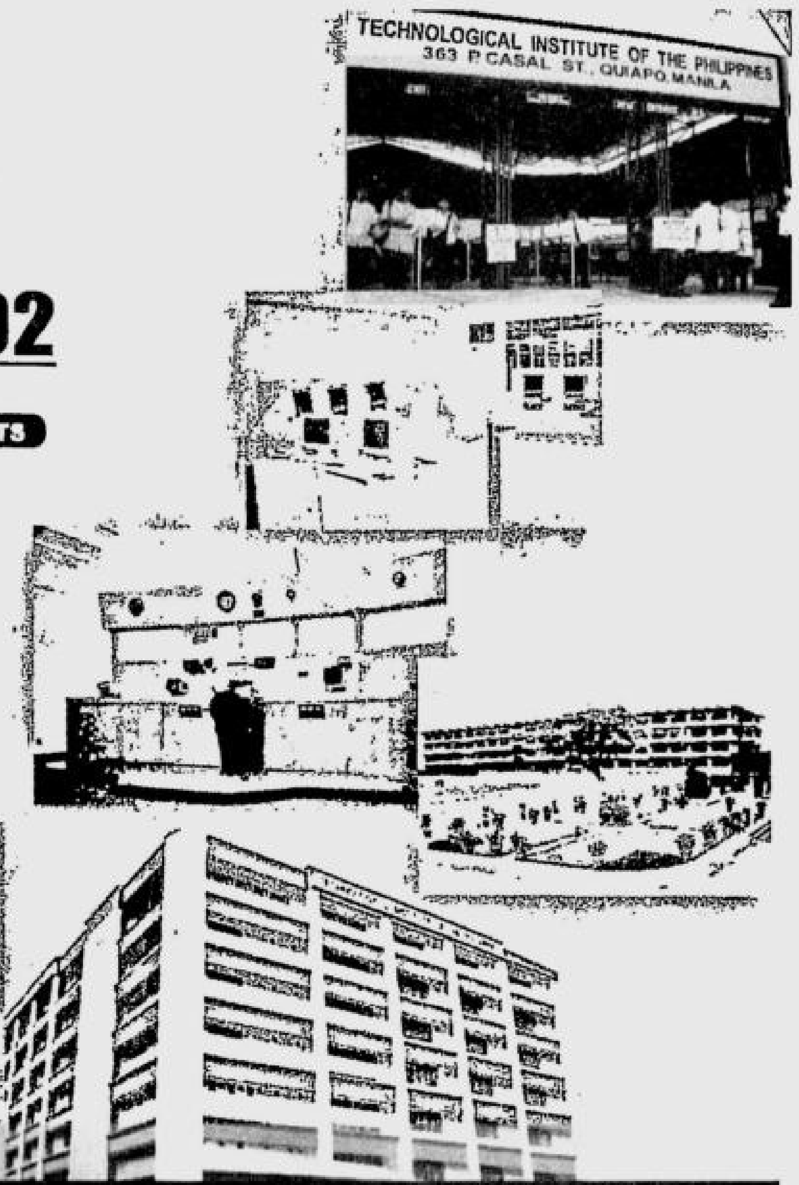

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# A sybarite's Singapore

By Lito B. Zulueta

"LIVE to eat," proclaimed the official guide to the recent Singapore Food Festival. That was a clarion call to the hedonist, but thankfully the organizers of the festival, notably the Singapore Tourism Board, did not take it literally. It instead prepared a well-wrought program that was as aesthetically sound as the most sophisticated gourmet dish.

We particularly refer to the way the festival was organized around the island-state's tourist attractions, such as breakfast and dinner in the Jurong Bird Park, candle-lit dinner at the Mount Faber Cable Car Station and lunch with the lions at the Zoological Gardens. ("Are you sure it's not lunch *for* the lions?" I asked my guide.) It is true, of course, that this was nothing new. What the festival achieved in fact was a consolidation of its innovations and strengths. For a city-state that is obsessed with efficiency and perfection, refining and improving old strengths is an achievement in itself.

But the coup this year was Singapore's hosting of the World Gourmet Summit. The theme of the summit, "The Rising Stars of the Century," pointed to a rare culinary adventure, the charting, no less, of the future of the culinary arts.

### Holistic

Barring new achievements in gastronomic science, the future, if the Singapore Food Festival is any indication, lies in combining taste with other sensual feasts in one total, holistic program.

Take, for instance, the innovation this year: the "black-and-white affair" called "Dinner with the Penguins." Held at Jurong Bird Park, the affair attracted diners to the Penguin Parade, a glass showcase of various species of penguins and puffins, not so much for the food, as to bask in the presence of the furry sub-Atlantic creatures with the funny gait and an equally funny way of diving and swimming.

Then there was the tour of the Spice Garden at Fort Canning, the former British military base and even before that, the seat of power of the ancient Malay kingdom, Temasak. The Garden is really a replica of the original 19-hectare tract that Sir Stamford Raffles built in 1822 as an experimental botanical garden.

The morning tour was conducted by volunteers on a Saturday, and for Filipinos like me who had yet to take to spicy fare, it was a rare occasion to become enlightened on the whys and wherefores of Southeast Asian taste, its strange predisposition to the hot and the spicy.

Botanically, it is easy to see the European fascination with spices that was the main impetus for the western age of conquest. Spice plants, for instance, run the gamut of flora—from the majestic Rain Tree to the exotic Yellow Flame, Birdis Nest Fern and Nutmeg.

Cuisine-wise, of course, spice flora remains the rage in Europe and much of Asia. Indian- and Malay-based cuisine have spread like wildfire all over, resulting in a globalization that has removed borders, transforming the world into one big, merry kitchen.

In fact, after the tour, it was to the kitchen we went, not only to have a traditional breakfast of tea and spices, but also to receive instruction from top Malay culinary guru Zarina on the rigors of Malay cooking. This, in fact, was one of the highlights of the festival. At least it reminded festival revelers that there was more to food than eating.

### Culinary school

In the hands-on training, we were made to cook Chicken Rendang (rich coconut chicken stew), Long Beans with Tempeh and Tamarind Prawns. I am happy to announce I passed the

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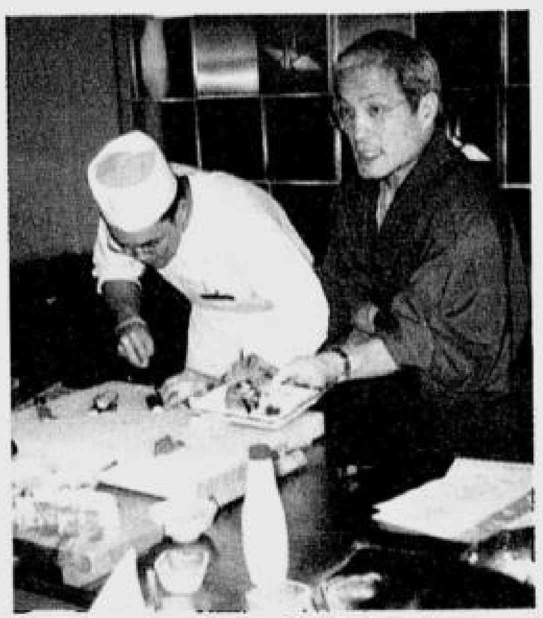
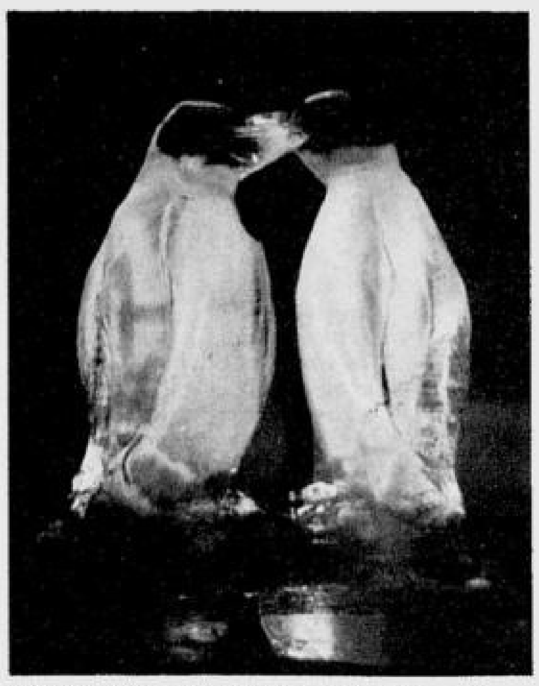
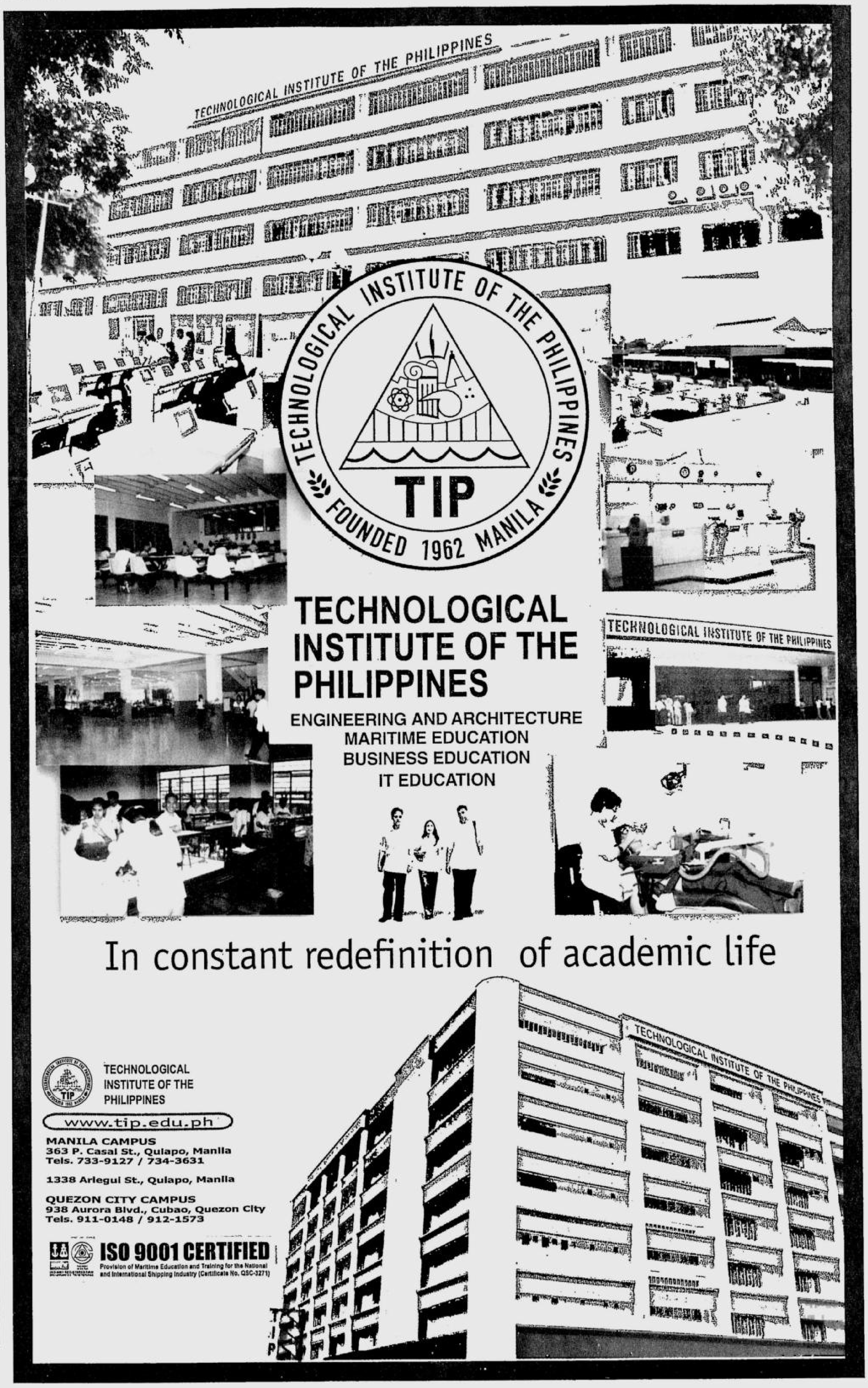

**CHESTER** M. Ikei of Senbazuru Japanese Restaurant (right) demonstrates sushi preparation.

> The island-state's annual food festival features dinner with penguins, lunch with lions and candle-lit dinner for the acrophobic

**DINERS** feast under the watchful gaze of penguins at the Jurong Bird Park.


**PENGUIN** ice sculpture, centerpiece of Dinner with the Penguins

**AN ICE** shellbowl of delicious prawns during Dinner with the Penguins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# 'We've been sleeping the last 30 years'

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ture. That's why I said yes.

**What was the state of tourism, DOT, in particular?**

It's very hard. I have to be very careful now. I will choose my words correctly because they can be twisted again. I've been misquoted or misunderstood. I say we've been sleeping in the last 30 years. Why? It's my parameter. My parameter is always high. Who is the leader in Asia? In Asean? It's Thailand, 10 million tourists. Singapore, 7 million. Bali, 4 million. Malaysia, 6 million. Hong Kong, 13 million. And the Philippines? 1.6 million last year.

**Really? Gemma [Cruz, former DOT secretary] said 2.2 million.**

We had 2.2 million in 1997 under President Ramos. That was the highest we ever got. Then, it went down to 2.1. Then, two million. Then during the height of Estrada, it was down to 1.6 million.

**And how many of that were *balikbayans*?**

Six hundred thousand. Is it correct to say therefore that we haven't promoted our country very well? There are 15 million Germans who travel. It is legislated they can take holidays three times in a year and their disposable income is huge. Where do they go? They go to Thailand. And you don't have to take the guys who are looking for sex. You'll always have that. Let's be honest with each other, you'll always have that. But you can get wholesome tourism. They were doing that in Subic with senior citizen tourists. Instead of getting the Japanese men, we can get the Japanese women or families.

Top-of-the-mind surveys, according to my tourism attaché in Japan, what do you think of the Philippines? "Ah, the Philippines is a place where there is disorder, no discipline, bad traffic, garbage and kidnappings." No. 2, "the Philippines is a place where men go for cheap sex." No. 3, "the Philippines is where all these Japayukis come from." What does this tell you? We haven't done anything. We should have a Japanese PR person in Japan, promoting us all the time, telling them when, say, PAL gets three new planes, that there's a new tourist destination in Surigao, there's a nice place where people can go to in Subic.

**Is that what you're planning to do?**

We're planning to do that and we have to look for the money because we ain't got the money.

**What was the reception you got at DOT?**

When I first came in there was a big sign, and I thank them for that. I walked in, I picked up litter on the way. There was paper on the floor. As I was passing by, there was no "Good morning, sir." Nobody met me. I'm not complaining about that. That's okay... The problem with tourism is the same problem with the country. They said there were eight tourism secretaries over the last 15 years.

**There's no continuity to speak of.**

There's the magic word. Have we had continuity in this country? L[illegible] compare. Singapore beats us b[illegible]—education, tourism, inform[illegible]n technology, best airline in the world, best airport in the world, best transport system. Why? Because it's small? No. It's the big "C" word—continuity. PAP has been in office since 1959... Continuity happened also in Japan. Thirty-five years of LDP after the war. Continuous rule.

**But we had continuity under martial law and nothing happened.**

Martial law happened '72, it was lifted in '81. Ten years of that was Marcos... There was one personality. There was no ideology to it. There's no definition of the nation. There's no definition of what we stand for. That doesn't count. It wasn't party rule. It was one-man rule.

**What is your vision of tourism now?**

Tourism is a way by which the Filipinos have a chance to show their country off, to respect their heritage, to be able to redefine themselves, show their environment, show their discipline. Isn't that what we do during fiestas? Our old folks, during fiestas especially, have a big parade all over town. We show the accomplishments and traditions of the town. *Parada ng mga kalabaw, ng mga lechon, ng mga buntis.* Isn't that what it is? Aren't we proud that people come to our homes and we clean up our home. We put out our best table.

**Can we do that on a national scale?**

We can do it if we start taking it beyond the home. You take it to the streets, plazas, traffic, garbage. You think: I am accountable, every day is fiesta day. Somebody's gonna come into my home. If I get more tourists here, my kid is going to graduate and can have a chance to be anything. You can start as a busboy. You can go up to the highest position and be shipped elsewhere. Can be a computer guy, guide, architect of a hotel, lawyer. The farmer can sell more fruits and rice to the hotels. The jeepney driver can put on a uniform, and we can institutionalize directions and institutionalize pricing. He will have more food for the table. Ultimately, tourism means business, means profit, jobs, a beautiful face for the Philippines, in terms of character and country.

**Sounds like a lot of work. What are your concrete plans for the country's tourism? What do you want to focus on? What do we need first?**

Just because we speak English doesn't mean tourists are going to come here. The Japanese who go to Thailand, which is 6½ hours away, number 1.2 million. The Philippines is only 3½ hours away and only 360,000 Japanese come here

There are three things in tourism. No. 1 is promotion. You can't promote without a product that's why you say it's hard. We have to do it. How can you promote when the product isn't there? You can have the sights. I hear people say, "*Mas maganda naman ang* Boracay *kaysa sa* Bali. *Mas maganda ang* Palawan *kaysa* Bali."

***Totoo 'yun.***

*Totoo 'yun. Kung totoo 'yun, bakit walang taong pumupunta dito at mas marami sa* Bali? Analyze it. Ah, we're not promoting.

**You haven't been there long but what have been done so far about promoting and cleaning?**

I'm glad you see the sense of urgency. We've gone to Berlin, which is the biggest mother of all tourism fairs. International Travel Host, they call it. Huge. *Siguro*, as big as Ayala Avenue, from Paseo de Roxas to the corner of Forbes. And these are just booths and booths.

**And we had a booth?**

Yes. By the way, we won. And I wasn't even happy with that booth.

**What was our theme?**

I don't think it was the theme. I think it was the way we worked with the booth that made us win. That was the place where, first, the consumers were there. The third day, the travel packagers.

**Who do you consider as consumers?**

Anybody. That's why it's there. Fifteen million Germans travel so they go. It's a chance to see. They go to the Thai booth and they have Thai food. I ate in that restaurant *pero hindi ko pinapakita na kumakain ako doon.* I ate out of a Styrofoam box and hid inside the closet. The Thai had massage, masseuses.

**What did we have?**

San Miguel Beer and dried mangoes. And we had energy, lots of it... Our group had very high morale because the tourism secretary stayed with them from morning till evening. I didn't go sightseeing. I kept talking to people. I was asked: "Where's your promotion?" "How much is your budget?" "Are we putting something on television?" "Are you going to fund our next tourism package, which means we're gonna put you in our magazine? You're gonna have to give us videos and money because we're gonna go from this area to this area. We're gonna put the Philippines there."

**Are you?**

I still don't have the money. Ask me about my tourism budget—P40 million.

**How much would you have to spend for a promotion like that?**

*Iba-iba, eh.* Thailand's budget is $39 million per year. *Atin*, $660,000. Hong Kong has a budget of $66 million.

**Have you told the President how much you need?**

*Kahit na sabihin ko wala namang pera.*

**What does she say?**

"It's up to you." You know what I did? The Boardwalk, PTA program, nice idea but 49 percent over the budget already. Stop the project. No more government money, I will look for an investor and privatize it. Joint venture. *Nagawa na 'yung* base, *ngayon 'yung* center *naman ang gagawin natin, mga* shops.

*Ang sikreto sa* tourism is the plane lands and you enjoy yourself right away. That's why Bali is great. Like Cebu, *baba ka na doon.* Subic was like that. We had 18 flights a week. I've been in Mindanao twice. I told them, "Hey, you have to prepare your international airport's opening in 2002. *Planuhin ninyo na. Gawin ninyo na 'yung* promotion *ninyo.* The Davao government should take care of itself. You should go out like I do. Go to Hong Kong and promote Davao. Put out your brochures." *Di ba dapat gan'un?* By the way, we're building an airport in Manila, *wala pang ginagawa na bagong* highway, freeway or flyover to get people out of that airport quickly. You can build a new airport but if they come in traffic, excuse me. Have you noticed you don't pass by the drainage system anymore when you go to the airport? *Tinanggal ko 'yan.* Have you noticed there are suddenly lights outside the airport? Have you ever noticed that the lights were off? We had to build that. We had to ask Meralco. Have you noticed that we cut the grass along the highway there? I was in Parañaque river on a Sunday with a bullhorn—no media coverage—calling out to anybody: "*Maglinis naman tayo diyan.*"

**You think tourism will alleviate poverty? How will it do that?**

Jobs, business, education. Spain for a while was poor. They had 38 million tourists, last year probably even more. Portugal before had their overseas people, but now they're banking on tourism. Vietnam is a stallion running rampant. They're gonna overtake us if we don't watch it. But look at us. God should get mad at our country. We depleted all our resources. We cut our forests... That's why I was so hard on people who cut trees in Subic. We had the No. 1 airline in Asia. *Hindi ba tayo nagugulat,* we used to shop in Hong Kong! Now we're the maids. We used to shop in Singapore, now we're the maids. The Taiwanese used to hide here. What more do I have to say?

**Tell us what you're going to do.**

It takes a total country plan to have a culture of tourism. The guys who will benefit from tourism will be the guys who have airports. You can have a Frankfurt-Palawan flight. If they have an airport, boom! Davao has an airport, they have a nice hotel, Marco Polo, boom!...

**But what will all your efforts come to when you have all these problems like kidnapping, law and order, traffic and the bad roads?**

I said the same thing in Japan. Recently I was there. *Nakakaawa tayo pero* I still kept a straight face. I was having lunch with a Japanese guy. By the way, the Japanese have homeless people in their parks... people who have given up. *Ang dami sa* Osaka, Tokyo... I said, "Sir, We have kidnappings, but nobody was killed. In Egypt 56 people were killed, and they still go to Egypt... That is not an issue. It will go away if you have good PR.

But there are realities to be faced. Like the road, the bad traffic. Bangkok was the same thing about 1990. Osaka to Tokyo had traffic. It took us an hour and a half before we got to Osaka downtown. But *malinis ang* roads . . .

I went to Intramuros. I'd heard horror stories about it. When I got there I was livid. I went up the walls, *may* disco *sa ibabaw!* Mas y Mas. *Tapos binutas 'yung* wall. It's only 400 years old, that wall. Air-conditioner *ang nilagay.*

**Are you planning to remove those?**

Yeah. *'Yung nakadikit sa* wall.

**What about other restaurants, like Starbucks?**

*Pinag-aaralan pa namin.* Eventually they have to move because we're going to make Intramuros a tourism and heritage area. *May dalawang kalye d'yan, diyan ka maglalagay. Tapos doon ilalagay mo* light and sound show.

**The problem would be if another DOT chief comes in.**

*Wala na tayong magagawa doon.* You try to do as much as you can in your watch... When you go and take a look at Intramuros later, *meron ulit dalawang kalye doon na magmumukhang* St. Williamsburg.

***Magiging* pedestrian streets?**

Yeah. We'll try to stop traffic within.

**Have you talked with your counterparts in other departments, because tourism is a concerted effort?**

We are doing that. Why do you think the DPWH and the Naia cooperate with us? We're going to start cleaning up the airport. DOTC is helping us. 'Yung overpass from the airport, we're working on that.

*Ginagawa namin 'yan.* That's going to be a lot of money.

**From where?**

From the airport *labas ka na ng* Makati. Flyover. *Meron pang kailangan.* From the Naia to the domestic airport, *dapat may* people mover. *Saan natin kukunin ang pera? Bumabaha din doon.*

**One of the agencies from the DOT which has a lot of resources is the PTA. Have you removed anyone from PTA?**

I'm looking at their performance *muna. 'Yung ginawa sa akin ni Erap hindi tama 'yun, eh.* Why should I start doing it to other people? I've never done that. *Kung may kasalanan tatanggalin ko. Hindi 'yung ang* crime, *eh. Ang* crime is *ang daming pera dati ng* Duty Free Philippines. *Saan nagpunta?*

**Some people from Subic are saying DOT is dropping Subic from the list of areas it is promoting.**

Of course, they'll say that because they want to get rid of me. But if you go to Japan, if you watch my interview with CNN, Subic is always there. Just this afternoon I was promoting Subic as a senior citizen area.

It's not just a fact of exposing somebody or something. You have to learn from it. We get a PR in Japan, Germany, France. These are big countries so it will cost us money. We have to promote. I drool when I see Malaysia's ads. What do they have? The same costumes as the Philippines? We even have white-water rafting, north and south. *Wala lang tayong pera.*

But it should really be an effort of the airline. I propose a law that says all tourism sites, including hotels, should set aside money for PR. If you invest *kailangan may* PR promotion *ka.*

We have to promote, there has to be prioritization in infrastructure process, we should encourage tax-free bus, airlines and ferry services. We are islands. The first thing any Filipino should realize is we must connect. But we're still not connected. We go to Osaka by plane in the most modern airline and we still are held up by traffic. Take the bullet train and Mt. Fuji manifests itself in its mighty splendor, *walang* clouds. You don't forget. You admire the Japanese. When Jose Rizal was writing "El Filibusterismo" and speaking Latin, English, Spanish, French and Italian, these guys were still cloistered in rural Japan. All of a sudden they are building bullet trains after the war. Now they're building 300-450 mile trains. Where have we been? This mighty country with the most literate population in Asia—the first democracy in Asia, the first to go against a colonial power. *Kailangan mo ipaalala sa mga tao 'yan para sabihin natin kaya nating gawin 'yan.*

**Are you doing something in conjunction with the schools?**

*Paglabas ng* posters. I just asked [PDI editor in chief] Letty Magsanoc if I can have a cartoon about tourism values. Everything that will sell the idea. *Nagiimbita na ako* I did Japanese weddings in Japan, Japanese senior citizens in Japan, Japanese shopping in the Philippines. These are packages we are creating. One weekend 10 Japanese ladies came in, four of whom were models from Seventeen magazine. Example, *ito papakausap namin kay* Pitoy Moreno. *Dadalhin namin si* Pitoy Moreno sa Japan *para makita naman na hindi lang* Japayuki *tayo. Meron tayong* fashion shows *na magaganda* because they like to dress up. And that sells.

When I was judging the Miss Philippines, pretty faces—*magaganda lahat. Ilagay mo 'yun sa* TV: pretty face *tapos* white-water rafting, pretty face *tapos* Banawe... *Ano ang* association? Pretty people, pretty sights, pretty everything. That's all make-believe. Like, you know that when you get there, "*Ang init pala dito sa* Malaysia." (Chuckles)

There's only one weapon that we have, better than theirs—we smile a lot. We're kind people. In a press conference I said, "What more do we have to do to show you that we are a peaceful people? We deposed two mighty dictators in our country without a drop of blood being shed. What more do we have to prove to you? That proves not only that we are a peaceful people, but that we love our moral ascendancy on ourselves and our country. What more do we have to prove to you that we are honest? In a place that's Subic Bay, when we were all hungry from Pinatubo [volcanic eruption], and we were all losing our jobs from the bases and our businesses, nothing was stolen. Volunteers—women, children, young people from Harvard—went in there and made something out of it. It's there.

What do we need to do? Build up a few more international airports, put in promotions. Boy, I'd love to do Palawan but I don't want it overburdened like Baguio. I don't want it to end up like Boracay. Boracay is nice but we have to start imposing standards there. I'm going to take a look at it. From what I hear it's already overdeveloped, overwrought. I've never been there.

**Do you still have time to relax?**

Lately, for the last two or three months, *wala.* Sleep.

**You take naps in cars?**

Yeah. Cars, helicopters, planes. I never used to be able to sleep on planes, but now I do.

Just because we speak English doesn't mean they're gonna come here. The Japanese who go to Thailand, which is 6½ hours away, number 1.2 million. The Philippines is only 3½ hours away and only 360,000 Japanese come here. We can increase that but there has been no effort.

There's another culture that we must tackle—the culture of victimization. "*Porke ba* driver *ako gaganyanin ako.*" Yesterday I was with the drivers. The taxi drivers were so happy they're gonna be wearing a uniform, have their name in the back... *Para mawala 'yung mga magnanakaw.* They're gonna police themselves. Nobody can come in unless they're authorized. And I tell them cooperativize *para* you can buy new cars.

**Some people are worried *baka naman daw in*-assume *mo 'yung* position and then if you're given Subic back. . .**

No... I've done Subic. I have nothing to prove there anymore. People have jobs already in Subic. They may be losing them but that is no longer my responsibility.

I'm saying we are all on trial. You expect me to bring tourism here. I also expect to bring the truth to the people but we have to have a culture of tourism. Now that there is an Internet world out there, that before the Japanese decide to go to Manila or Cebu or to any place in the Philippines, now that they have the money to buy computers or to check the Internet, *kumusta ba diyan? Pupunta ba ako sa* Bangkok? *Sa* Pilipinas? *Sa* Singapore? *May gulo pala dito, eh.*

***May* website *ba tayo?***

Yeah. *Pinapagawa ko ngayon.* Under construction. We have to do that. I had a meeting with the historical group in Intramuros. We are going to meet every day now *para bilisan ang* Intramuros. I want to build a museum of light and sound again for Edsa. I'm going to recommend an airport or Palawan when it's ready and try to have hotels there. But it should not be overdeveloped. I've have this ground rules—you cannot do this and that. Do you know that the DOT no longer has control over hotels? We can't even close down a hotel anymore. We don't even know the number of hotel rooms unless we are told. I have to go to the local government secretary—no hotels should be built without getting the recommendation of the DOT. We go by extremes, *eh.* We don't fine-tune.

***Binalik mo lahat ng* tourism attachés?**

*Hindi pa. 'Yun pa ang isang nagpasama ng loob ko. Mga* tourism attachés *tinanggal ni* Gemma. *Siyempre 'pag natalo ka sa* civil service, being the head of agency, I'm a lawyer also, I have to see whether there is an appeal. Otherwise, I might be chided for dereliction of duty and ignorance of the law. But that doesn't mean that I'm not for them. I just want to make sure that the law took its course. On the other hand, as I visit other countries, I'm proud of the tourism attachés. They know their business. When I tell them, "I need no time lost. Full schedule." Full schedule *talaga!*

**In which countries do we have tourism attachés?**

Japan, Germany, France, England, four *sa* US... 12 total. *Babawasan pa namin. Walang pera, eh* unless I can draw more money this year. Duty Free is not contributing money right now. *Luma ang produkto.*

**Is there such thing as Richard Gordon mafia?**

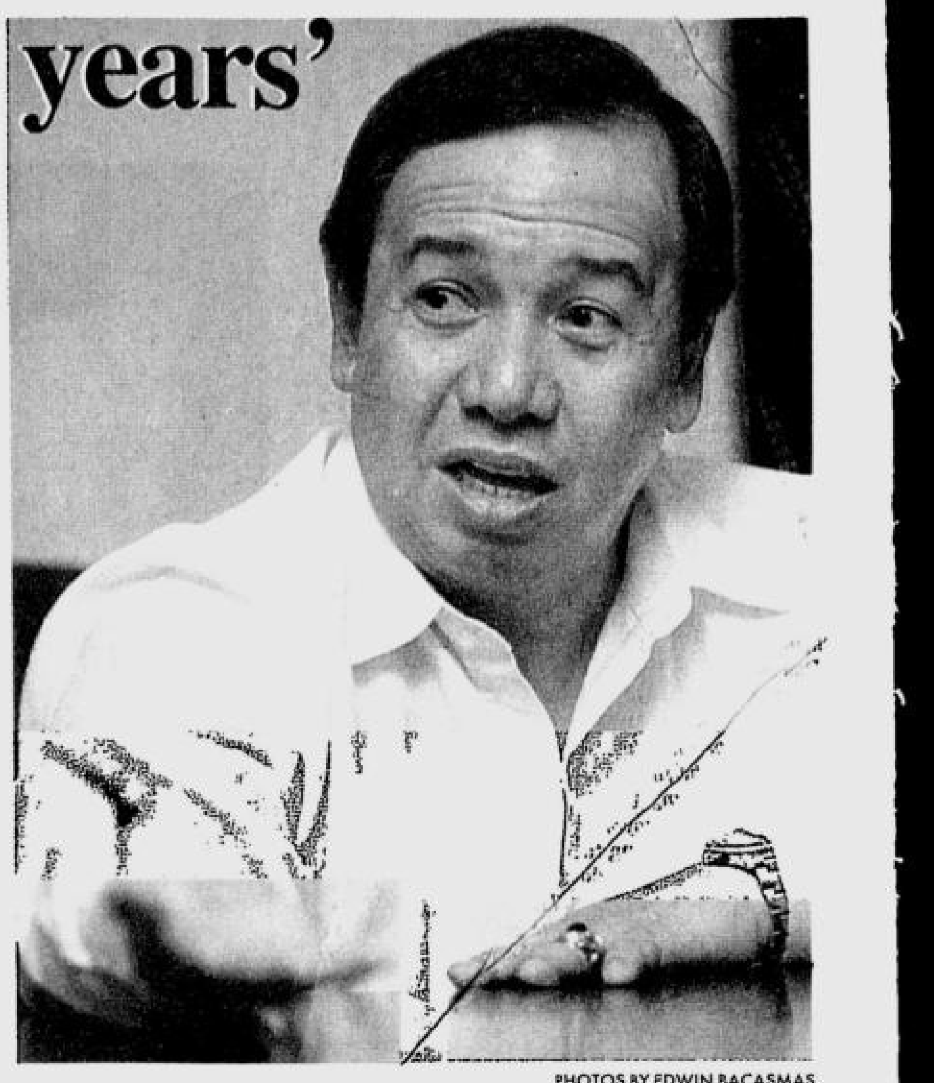
Mafia? It's not Richard, it's Ricardo Gordini.

**Because they say you choose younger people from Ateneo to work with.**

That's not true. I'm an Upsilonian. [I went to school] in Ateneo and UP. I have a lady volunteer and she's from Ateneo; someone else is from UP. [There's somebody] from Assumption.

**Only the top schools?**

*Sila ang nagbu*-volunteer, *eh.* Do you know the depths that they have gotten into? *Pati* volunteers *ko tinitira.* They are looked upon as a threat. I am not against anybody in the department. They may be having a culture shock, but not as big as mine. I want to keep them. I'm not a watcher, *eh. 'Pag may nasusunog, nand'un ako; may lindol, nand'un ako.* I'm in the Red Cross for chrissakes. I've been in the Red Cross for as long as I can remember. I've been active in extracurricular activities in school. Hyper *talaga ako.* When I was a third year college student at the Ateneo I came out with an anti-complacency campaign where I plastered the whole university with posters saying, "The Atenean is complacent. It's apathy that is the



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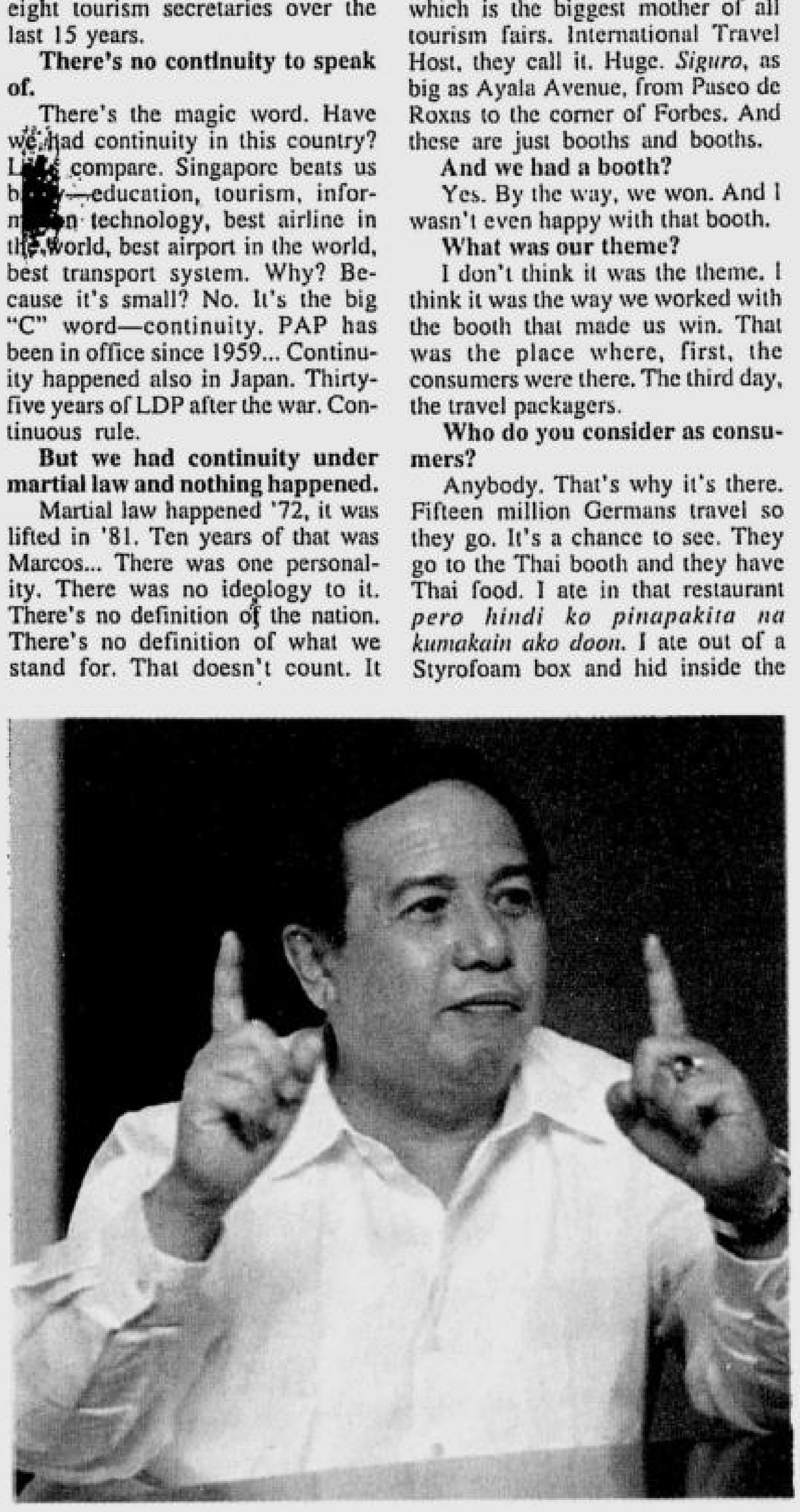

enemy." That was 1965. *Hindi ako* watcher *eh. Pagka tulog ka, hoy, gising. Pagkamabagal ka, hoy, bilisan mo.* When I went in there, I wanted to have a DOT we will be proud of. I still think that's possible.

***Siguro* it takes some getting used to.**

Yeah. Natural *sa akin 'to.* In a bus, *'pag tumabi ka sa mga* Olongapo, *'pag umalis 'yan malinis ang lugar nila. Naka*-plastic bag *lahat 'yan. May dala kaming baon.* That's the truth. It's not put-on. It's consistent. *Wala akong nakikitang* garbage *doon.*

**They think you're making *patutsada*...**

No. *'Yun ang masama doon. Mahirap gisingin ang natutulog-tulugan... kung biktima na ang iniisip mo sa 'yo, iba na 'yon, eh.* But you see I pick up [garbage]. *Hindi naman 'yung magtatampo ako. Ako 'yung* secretary *tapos 'pag dating ko doon wala man lang* "Good morning, sir."

***Hindi ba talagang gan'un ang* DOT?**

*Hindi ako naniniwala doon. Mababait naman 'yung mga tao.* I even eat in the cafeteria. *May nagsabi, "Pakitang tao lang 'yan!"* I have already eaten three times in the cafeteria, and I do that. When I worked in Olongapo, *nagkakamay kami ng mga tao. Nu'ng naglinis kami ng basura, bumili ako ng siopao. Bangaw kaliwa at kanan pero kain kami.* (Laughter) *Dumating ako d'yan walang* toilet paper, *di* another issue. "Sir, *ninanakaw.*" "*Walang magnanakaw sa* department *na pupuntahan ko. Gawan n'yo ng paraan 'yan. Merong nabibili d'yan na* toilet paper dispenser *na isa-isa hihilain mo.*" *O, di may* toilet paper. *Gusto ko malinis 'yung* bathrooms. *Pumunta ka sa* bathroom, *ang linis ngayon.*

**Is DOT planning to vacate that building?**

Eventually, we'll do that. I'd probably transfer somewhere in Intramuros. *Titingnan ko lang. Bahala na. Hindi naman importante sa akin ang* building. My office is too large for me. *Sobra! Pero pagdating ko doon, saan ako matutuwa? 'Yung* tiles! Parquet. *Tanggal lahat 'yung isang* portion. *'Yung walls, ang dumi-dumi. Pinaayos ko 'yung* wall.

***Ngayon okay na ba ang* relationship?**

*Ilan lang 'yan eh, hindi naman* majority. *Nasasaktan lang ako 'pag sinasabi nilang arogante ako. Gusto ko kasi 'yung kusang loob, eh.* Even the slogan of Olongapo is *kusang loob*: "*Malasakit sa kapwa tao.*"

> There's only one weapon that we have [against our tourism rivals]—we smile a lot

**Which tourism program impressed you most and inspires you?**

England. Replete with history *'yan, eh. Lamang sila* because they are in a continent *kaya maraming* tourists *doon*, 75 million. They can easily drive down there. Europe is still the most popular destination in the world. You can take the train, bus or bicycle and see Europe all the way, from corner to corner. But basically that's because of their history and all that. I haven't looked into their tourism program. Malaysia has a paradigm prime minister of tourism right now. But in terms of spunk, Singapore. *Wala namang* sights *sa* Singapore *eh.* It's a small city, no domestic destination, but it's making money. Don't think for one minute there's no sex there.

They have no domestic destinations *pero maraming eroplano sa kanila.* After Hong Kong and Singapore, *dapat ang* second destination in the area is the Philippines. *Tawag namin diyan* twinning.

**Aside from Subic, what is your favorite place?**

Everywhere I go I fall in love. Samar is nice, has a lot of beaches. I like a quiet beach without any amenities, and there are many of them here.

**Where did you meet Kate?**

She lived right in front of us, but we were like the Montagues and Capulets. *Hindi sila* Catholic, *eh.* My mother was a Catholic. Eventually, okay *na*... Kate is a surprise, revelation *'yan.* She discovered herself in many ways. Her mother refused to tell her about her father, but she knew herself because she had records. So I made a promise that when we get married I'd look for this guy. He was a principal in a school in Missouri. After that, more or less settled *na kay* Kate. They still write, they still talk, he visits. He even offered American citizenship to Kate, but she refused. Kate got into politics because of me.

**Every now and then your name comes up when people talk about "presidentiables." What can you say on the matter?**

(Chuckles) There's no election yet. I'm on the cabinet of the President and I told her I'll work hard for her. And she's been doing her work. I'll just do my job. *Ang* focus *ko lang*, give me a job and I'll do the best I can. That's the only thing I can tell you.

***Hindi ka muna magra*-run for President in 2004? (Laughter) How old are you?**

I'm 55. Old *na.*

**Is it true that former President Estrada wanted to get you on his cabinet?**

First as press secretary, before Dong Puno, but I said no. Then *sa* Senate, "*Sigurado ka sa* Senate." *Tatlong tao, iba't-iba ang kumausap sa akin. Kasama rin ang* Tourism.

**Why did you refuse?**

I don't believe in Erap. Erap didn't respect his own wife. He didn't respect Filipino women. To him, he could buy... them with gifts, he could run rings around the poor. *May pinagsamahan kami niyan* as mayors [but] when you're given the biggest gift the people can give you, which is the presidency, *tigil na lahat 'yan dapat. 'Pag pinagkatiwalaan ka ng mga tao, pasalamat ka sa* Diyos. And do it well! We're not perfect but, I mean, you have to do your best.

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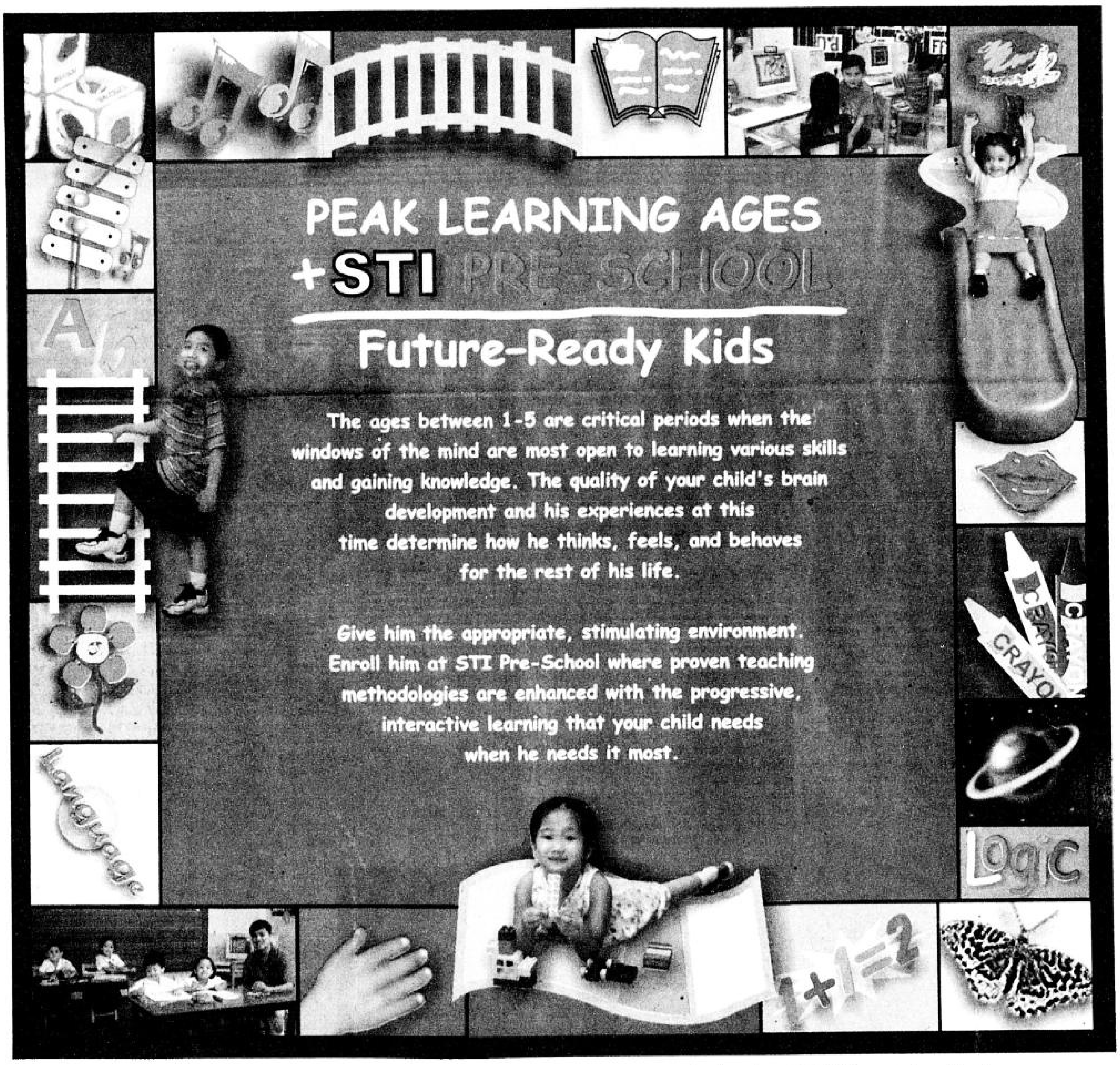

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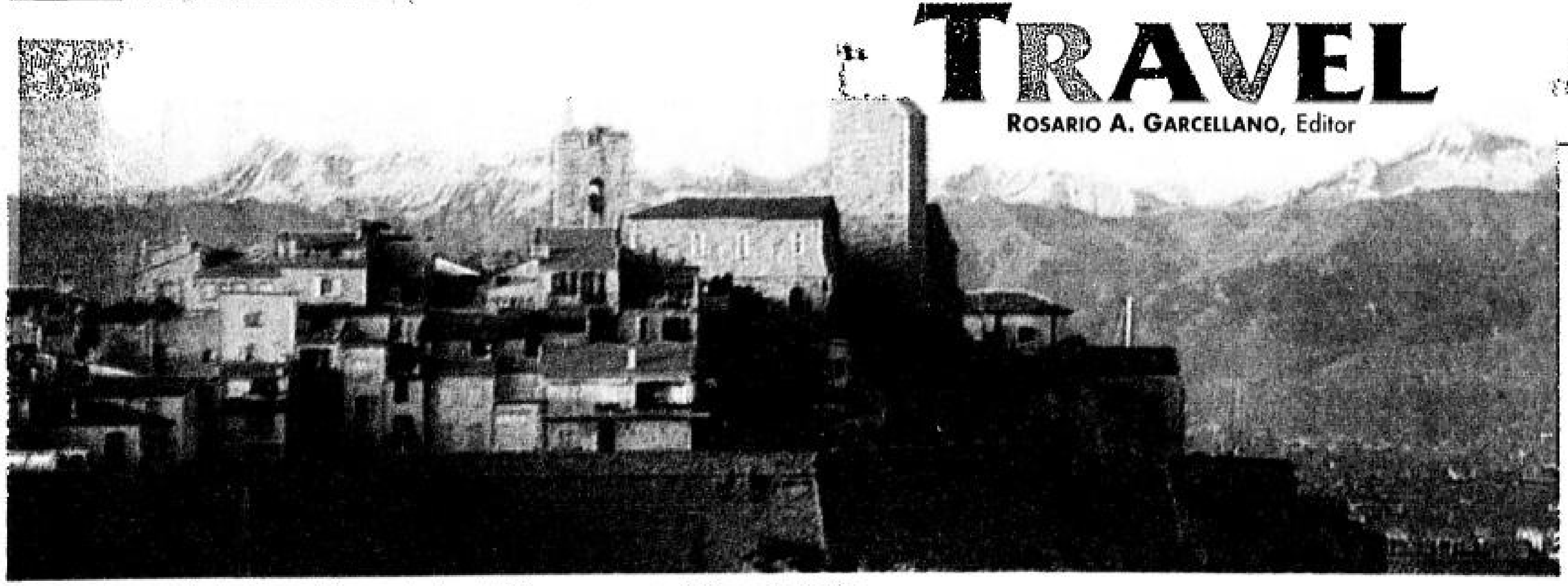


THE CASTILLO Grimaldi (with flag on top), which houses some of Picasso's works

How thrilling to walk along a cobbled path and then chance upon an ancient plaza adorned with little cafés and a fountain perfect for a rendezvous

# A taste of the French Riviera

BY NADINE ROSARIO M. MORALES

THE HARBOR of Villefranche-sur-mer

**EVERY morning, the sun rises to its full shine in this ever-sunny region. Sailors and residents put out their boats to sail or fish. People walk with their dogs to a bakery to buy a baguette, the French version of the *pan de sal*, tuck the bread under an arm, and amble home. Others take breakfast in sidewalk cafés and chat with their friends before going to work.**

In the afternoon, people, especially the young and sportive types, head to the beach to bask in the sun, wade in the water, or just stroll along the shore. Then they return to their homes, cook dinner, and go to bed as early as 9:30 p.m., in preparation for another day.

However different this may seem compared to our daily hectic schedules, it is just a typical day in the lives of most of the people living in the French Riviera. With its mild climate and the cool blue waters of the Mediterranean, the French Riviera attracts not only the rich and famous but also ordinary people who want to enjoy sun and sea and literally forget their troubles.

I had a chance to go to this summer getaway in August last year, when I attended a month-long course in the French language at the Institut de Français in Villefranche-sur-mer, a quaint old town along the coast.

The Institut de Français, which is subsidized by the French government, is nestled on the hills, and its second floor has a balcony overlooking the harbor of Villefranche. It caters to a variety of people, regardless of nationality (my classmates were from Japan, Israel, the United Kingdom, and South Africa, to name a few), who want to enrich their knowledge of the French language. As I had experienced, students are exposed to different methods of language teaching, including grammar lessons, laboratory classes (where one wears headphones to practice speaking in French), or simply talking in French with fellow students in and around the school.

## Historical

Living for a month in the French Riviera was a new and wonderful experience for me. I was able to meet people of different cultures and share with them a taste of our own culture. I must say it was also a fruitful experience to visit and get to know more about places that I had encountered only in books, and to learn a little more about French history through a couple of tours organized by the school.

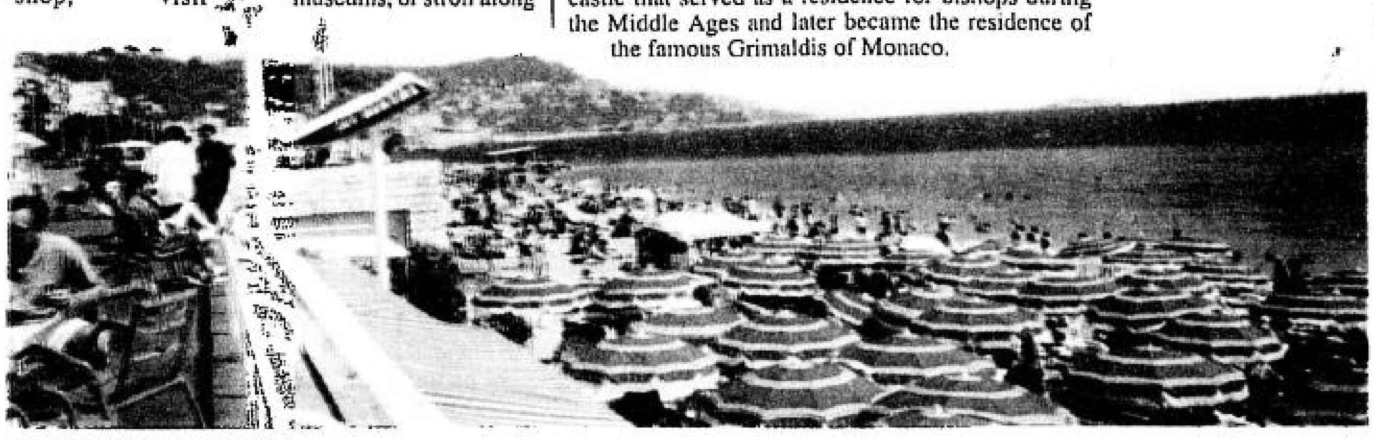
Through these tours, I saw villages dating back to the 12th century still thriving, medieval churches, with their relics of saints, becoming more beautiful through time, and fortresses—for example, the Ancien Fort Saint Elme in Villefranche-sur-mer—standing sturdy and proud despite the wars of invasion that these had endured.

I had the chance to visit some of the cities in the French Riviera, such as the capital, Nice. Considered the fourth largest city in France, Nice is cool and sunny and is the perfect place for people who want to unwind. You can do just about anything a traveler loves to do: shop, visit museums, or stroll along the rocky shoreline of the Baie des Anges.

THE INSTITUT de Français with its sloping garden

It is a crowd-drawer in the summer, and flight bookings are always full come July or August. It takes an hour and a half by plane to get to Nice from Paris. But if you want to go nature tripping, you might consider traveling aboard the *train à grande vitesse*, more popularly known as the TGV train.

Nice is situated on a coastal plain and is sheltered from cold winds by a crescent of hills on the north and northeast. Once a part of Italy, the city has charming shops, cafés and hotels. In fact, its famous boulevard, the Promenade des Anglais, houses all of these attractions. Then there's the *ville* of Antibes, where the great Pablo Picasso lived for some time and turned out a number of his works. A gallery of Picasso's art is found in Castillo Grimaldi, a seaside castle that served as a residence for bishops during the Middle Ages and later became the residence of the famous Grimaldis of Monaco.



THE COASTLINE of Nice

Picasso resided in this castle-turned-museum for some months as he was inspired by the splendor of Antibes. The city eventually bought the castle to house some of his works.

Antibes is also known as a sailing venue as well as a host of various festivals such as its famous jazz festival.

About 30 minutes by car from Nice is the principality of Monaco, one of the world's gambling destinations. A monarchy ruled by Prince Rainier of the Grimaldis of Genoa, Monaco is full of charm and vivacity, especially at night. I was able to go there twice—the first time with my father, when we visited the Monte Carlo casino, and the second time with my classmates, my school having organized a boat trip there from Villefranche-sur-mer.

The weather was fine and the breeze refreshing. And I had a chance to visit the cathedral of Monaco, site of the tomb of Rainier's wife, Princess Grace (once the American actress Grace Kelly).

## By the sea

Villefranche-sur-mer (the French verb *franchir* means "to cross"—thus, it's a town you have to cross *sur-mer*, "by the sea") was a point of entry of France during its war against Italy. The fortresses were built for this purpose. At that time, people paid a certain amount of money before they could enter the territory of France.

The heart of Villefranche-sur-mer is in its old town, founded in 1295 and dotted by hotels, plazas, a medieval church, souvenir shops, and restaurants lined up on the sidewalk facing the beach. It was so thrilling to note how some ancient structures were so well preserved, so that one could be walking along a cobbled path and then chance upon an old *place*, or plaza, adorned with cozy little restaurants. In the middle of the *place* would be a fountain attractive to pigeons and visited by couples on a *rendezvous*, just like, perhaps, during the Middle Ages, when that *place* was built.

Another interesting spot in this old town is the Rue Obscure. As the name and the Roman-designed vaults suggest, it is a dark passageway also dating back to the 12th century. Despite the renovation of most of its structures, intended to further strengthen them, the medieval influences are still evident, making them more beautiful and valuable.

Life in the French Riviera, particularly in Villefranche-sur-mer was very laid-back. Every day, as I walked for about 10 minutes from my rented apartment to my school, I would see the same people jogging or walking their dogs.

I think everyone living there had pet dogs to keep them company in such a quiet place. But they were nice and very accommodating, always willing to take a picture of you on your request, contrary to observations I've heard that French people are snobbish.

It was easier for me to learn the French language there (I had already obtained a bachelor's degree in European languages from the University of the Philippines). The "harder," or more pronounced, accent of the French people there was for me more understandable, perhaps due to the fact that many of the residents there are of Spanish or Italian origin.

## Haute but healthy

French cuisine in the French Riviera was not only *haute* but also health-conscious

I was amazed at how healthy were the diets of the French people. With their hefty servings of leafy vegetables and the usual fish dishes, I came to realize that I had a relatively high-fat diet in the Philippines.

Contrary to what we are used to, the French would serve bread at all meals of the day (it was their rice). I had to adjust to this diet but I loved the hard-outside-soft-inside baguette.

The menu in school always consisted of an *entrée*, the main dish, and dessert. I noticed that the menu had more of fish rather than meat as the main dish, perhaps because there are lots of fish in that region, making it cheaper. I must say I had to adjust to the meals for I am more of a carnivore.

Salads are always part of the menu. The *salade niçoise*, consisting of lettuce, anchovies, tomatoes, onions and corn, tossed with vinaigrette, is very popular.

Soup is often served as an alternative to salad as entrée. What I found unusual was the cold soup—for example, tomato soup sprinkled with bread cubes—that they would serve. One of their huge favorites is *huitres*, or oysters, eaten fresh. Another interesting dish is the *couscous*, consisting of boiled semolina grains and served with meat and vegetables.

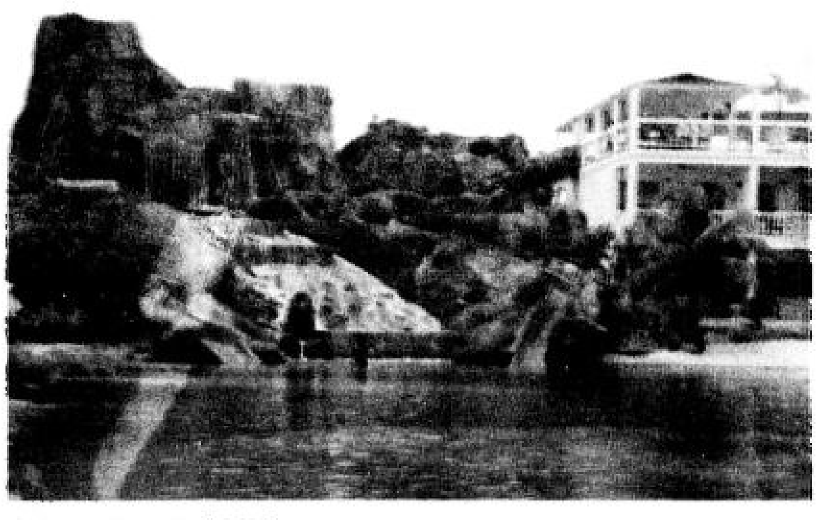
## Water's fine

Swimming in Villefranche-sur-mer was one of my favorite activities during my sojourn. The water is not so salty and the weather is always fine and not so hot. It being summertime, the shore was always lined with people clad in their swimsuits and beach towels.

I went swimming—something I never get to do often in the Philippines, though we are surrounded by bodies of water—with my classmates. Because the apartment I rented along with two other students was situated in the middle part of the mountains, we had to go down to the beach on a long flight of stairs. It was easy going down, but when it was time to go back, it was quite another thing altogether. When I was to go home, I stayed first at a hotel in Villefranche-sur-mer called Le Versailles, a 5-story building constructed along a downward slope of the hills. It's really one of a kind—the entrance is on the uppermost floor, and the last or 5th floor is at the base!

I was sad to leave the charming French Riviera. But I left hoping that someday, I would be able to go back.

# TRAVEL BRIEFS



### 'SUMMER FROLIX'

Plantation Bay Mactan invites Philippine residents to take part in its "Summer Frolix," a package valid until June 30. The resort is set in seven hectares of private grounds with lush gardens, palm trees and waterfalls. (Mogambo Falls, in photo, is an elevated pool with water slides.) Interested parties may fly to Cebu on Cebu Pacific Air, a partner of the resort. For inquiries and reservations, call 844-5024 or e-mail manilasales@plantationbay.com.

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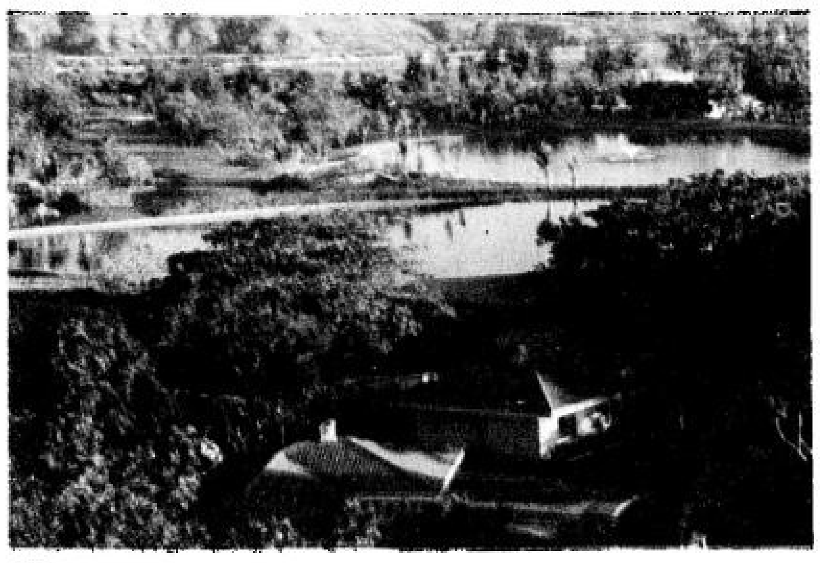

### GOLFER'S GETAWAY

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**MALAY** food cooking demonstration by at-sunrice at Fort Canning

**FEAST LIKE A LION.** Diners get a filling eyeful of the lord of the jungle.

# A sybarite's Singapore

(From page E3)

course with flying colors, thank you. At least, I was able to cook something edible.

The tour and instructional were organized by the at-sunrice, which runs a culinary school, a shop and a café at Fort Canning; it also organizes events such as the Spice Garden tour. Its director, Kwan Lui, seeks to integrate the many aspects of food and cooking into one culinary adventure.

Already at-sunrice is developing a curriculum and internship program to cater to chefs and culinary enthusiasts interested in pan-Asian cuisine. The effort will surely go a long way in evolving fusion cuisine and globalizing culinary taste. (For information visit www.at-sunrice.com or e-mail zeke@at-sunrice.com).

Another instructional was the cooking workshop at the Senbazuru Japanese Restaurant at the New Otani Hotel, with no less than the hotel's GM, Chester M. Ikei, as instructor. Ikei took the participants on a survey of the rituals and formalities of Japanese cooking and dining, which was really a survey of Japanese culture and attitudes.

For appetizer, the instructional covered Marinated Jellyfish, Roll Maki, Futomaki and the indestructible Sashimi. For hot dishes, there were Assorted Tempura and Deep-dish Tofu. The ensemble was served in bento boxes, and dinner could not have been simpler and more delicious.

## Dining high

An extraordinary experience was dining 60 meters above land through the Singapore Cableway System that spans Mount Faber to Sentosa island. The cabin fleet has undergone a recent S$10-million face-lift and the new upgraded cabins are luxurious and spacious, accommodating six passengers at any time. The cabins are in rainbow colors and they sport wider glass panels that offer the passenger a bird's eyeview of Sentosa leisure island.

The dinner gave festival revelers a new high. According to Yap Tiang Seng, manager of Sentosa Discovery Tours, many couples have spent many a romantic dinner inside the cable cars. The peak season in fact is Feb. 14 and thereabouts.

**CHIA** Boon Hee of the Singapore Tourism Board holds bowlful of spicy soup steady aboard Sentosa cable car.

Perhaps the most popular among families was the Breakfast Eggxtravaganza with the Birds at the Songbird Terrace of the Jurong Bird Park. The event featured an array of egg dishes done in every way imaginable. For the health-conscious, there were even scrambled egg whites.

Over at one corner, a parrot told a visitor's fortune by picking a card from a shuffled pack. Mine read, "Pay more attention to the activities around your home. Money is not your main priority, enjoy life more." Tell that to my boss.

There was also a short bird show, a prelude to the daily 11 a.m. show that featured biking macaws, swooping hawks, genteel flamingoes and a parrot that counted 1 to 10 and sang "Happy Birthday."

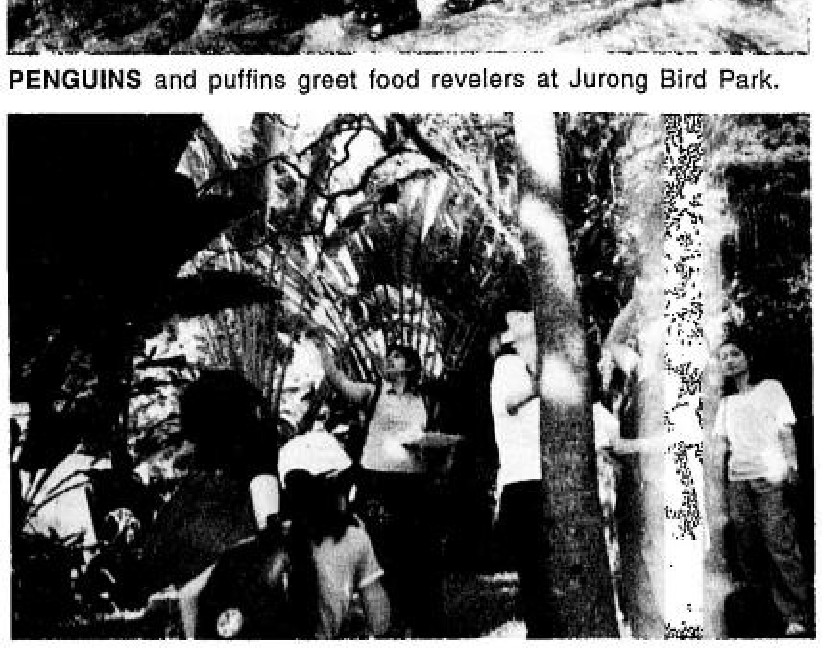
## Leonine feast

Back by popular demand was Lunch with the Lions at the Zoological Gardens. It took place in a small pavilion beside the lion enclosure. A glass wall separated the diners from the wild cats, which sometimes would jump at the glass in their eager rush to catch the food being thrown at them by zookeepers. Strangely enough, the leader of the pack stood above the fray, merely gazing at the pack paternally and with a distant air. Truly a lion king.

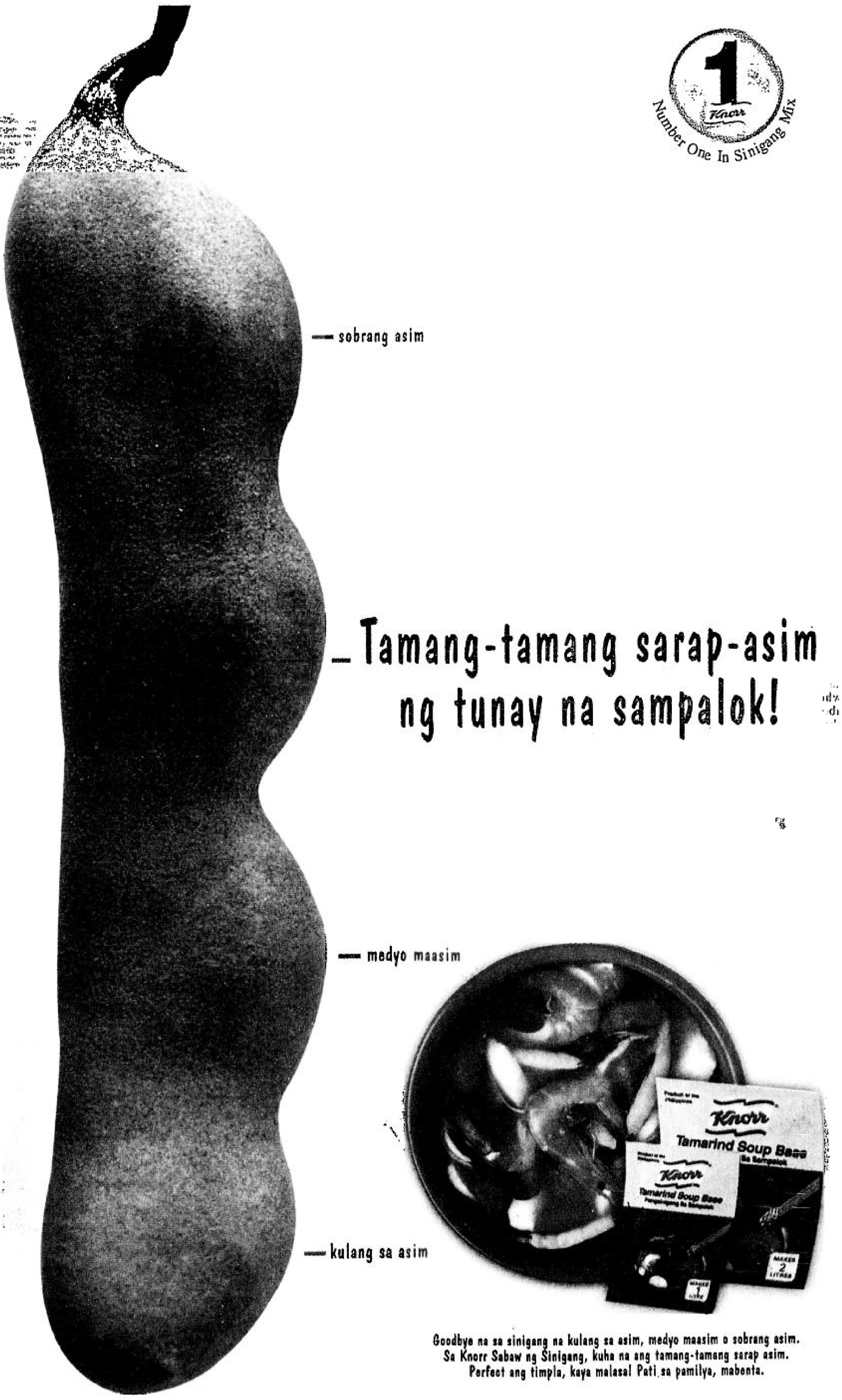
After the lunch, we strolled down the Fragile Forest in order to get acquainted with the fragility of the ecosystem and the creatures that thrived in it.

It was this joining of the festive and the relevant, of gastronomy and education, of cuisine and conscience that made the Singapore Food Festival memorable. Surely, the festival was about something much more than food and eating. After all, man does not live by bread alone.

**PENGUINS** and puffins greet food revelers at Jurong Bird Park.



**SPICY** tour of Spice Garden at Fort Canning



Goodbye na sa sinigang na kulang sa asim, medyo maasim o sobrang asim.
Sa Knorr Sabaw ng Sinigang, kuha na ang tamang-tamang sarap asim.
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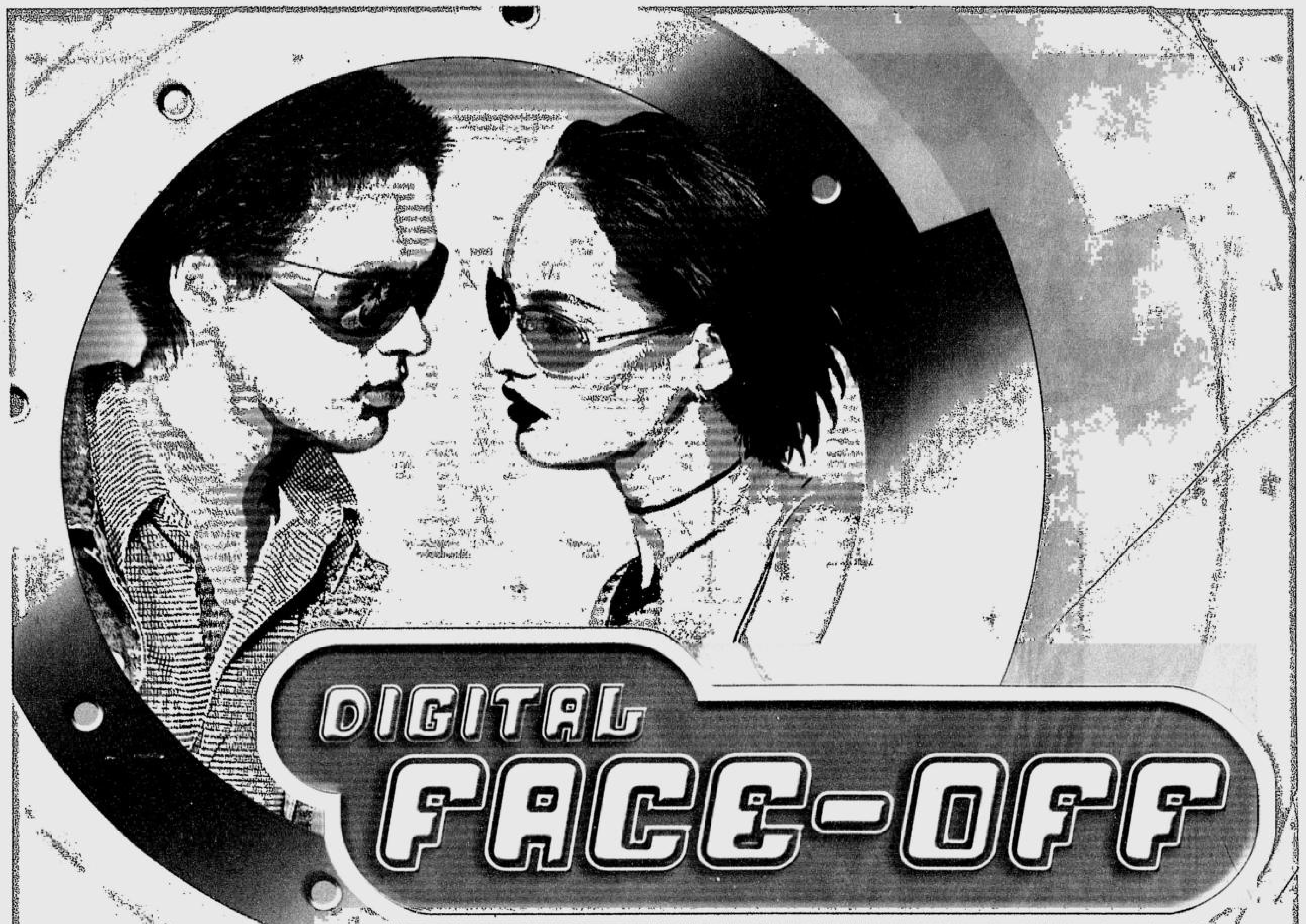

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# To remember Brocka is to rally for freedom of expression

COMPILED BY LITO ZULUETA

POET, screenwriter and Pinoy Times columnist **Pete Lacaba** has proposed that May 22 be declared Freedom of Expression Day in commemoration of well-loved film director **Lino Brocka**'s 10th death anniversary.

Lacaba has presented his proposal to "friends in the cultural community, and the response has been generally positive. A group of us intends to celebrate this launching of Freedom of Expression Day with a simple wreath-laying ceremony on the spot where Lino is buried."

Those who wish to take part in this affair will get further advice through plaridel_papers@yahoogroups.com.

"In his short stint as a member of the Constitutional Commission that produced the present Constitution, Lino Brocka is credited with having contributed the phrase 'freedom of expression' into the Bill of Rights provision that reads: 'No law shall be passed abridging freedom of speech, of the press, and of expression and the right of the people to peaceably assemble, etc.' (**Jose Nolledo** acknowledges Brocka's contributions in his annotations on the 1987 Constitution.)

"As far as I know, there is no law prohibiting private citizens from unofficially declaring May 22 as Freedom of Expression Day and celebrating it this year and every year hereafter," says Lacaba. Mother's Day started out that way.

Let's do it then. Here's to Lino and freedom!

## Do they know what it means?

EVER heard of the Senior Citizens Association of Manila? They have their headquarters near the Manila Zoo. You might have noticed their huge signboard. Whoever cooked up the name must not be aware of SCAM means. The acronym is such a disservice to the senior citizens who are members of the organization, assuming, of course, that they are decent folk who do not engage in con games. We suggest they make a few changes in their name so they can have some credibility.

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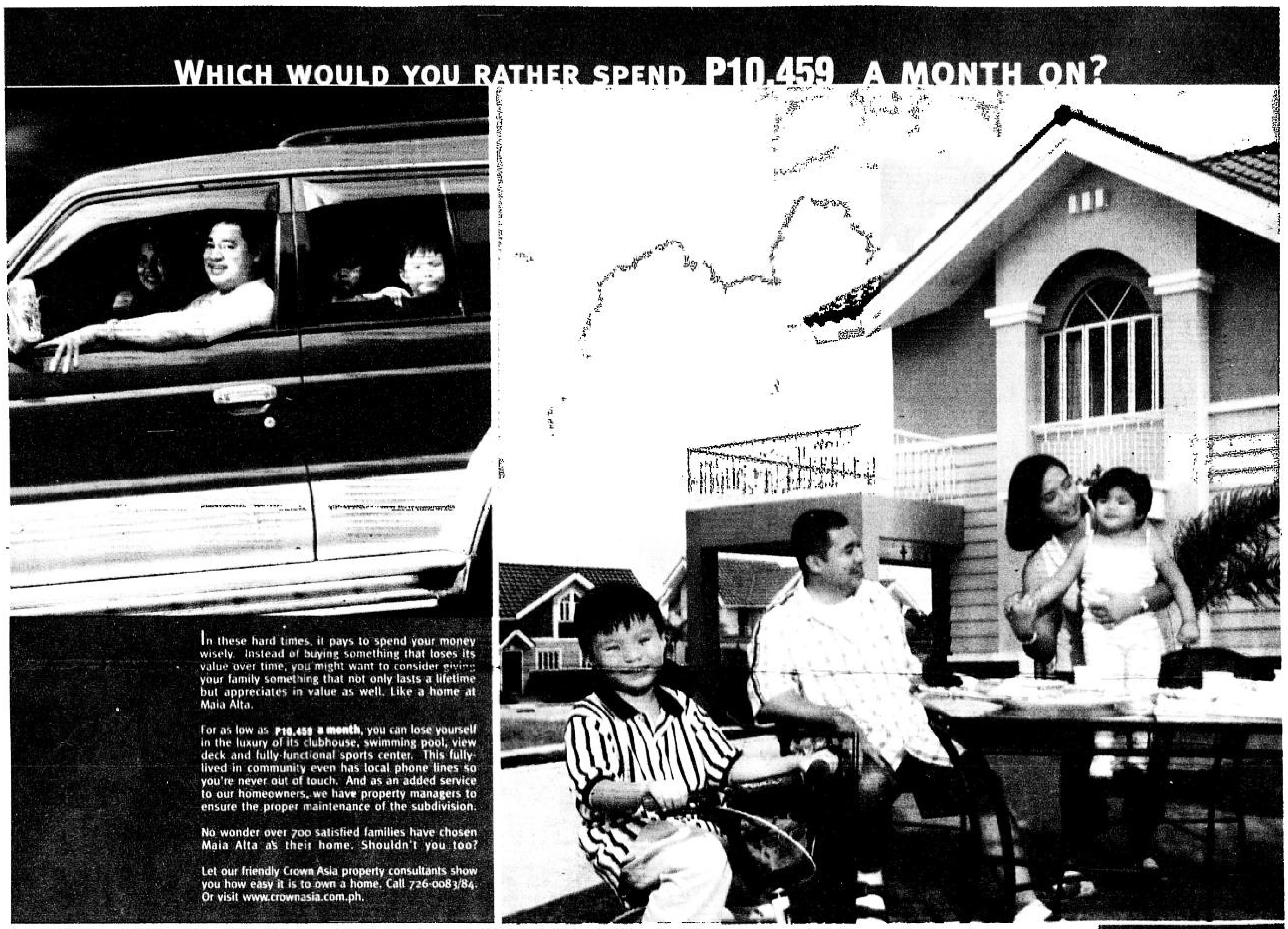
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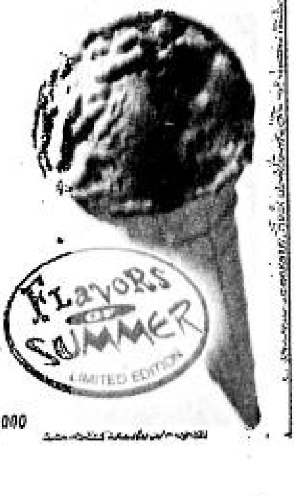


# Entertaining book on entertaining, poll-watching, and florists' war

BY ANTON SAN DIEGO

**MUST-HAVE book—"R.S.V.P" by Nan Kempner.** She is one of Park Avenue's most famous and respected socialite-hostesses. A partygoer and organizer, she has become a guru in entertaining.

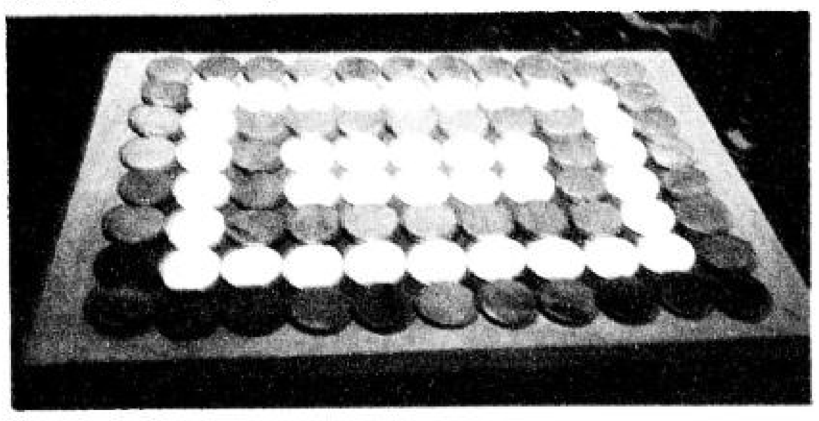
In her book, she handpicks some of her favorite hosts, provides menus and lists entertaining dos and don'ts for candlelit dinners, yacht affairs, buffets, galas, etc. It's a book that satisfies the voyeur in all of us as we peek into the homes and entertaining prowess of **Oscar de la Renta, Princess Chantal Miller-Pavlos, Anne Bass, Valentino** and artist **Ross Bleckner.** It also has well-kept recipes pried from the likes of **Bill Blass, Nancy Reagan**, etc.

The book is well-photographed; it has the insider's insight on the mood of a party and what makes it exceptional. It's the perfect gift or coffee table accessory for every well-appointed home and a must-have for every party hostess in the country.

**Election 2001.** I never thought I would be volunteering as a poll-watcher in the last elections. It was against my body clock and waking up at 5 a.m. to go to a precinct would never make anyone nationalistic. At that time of the day, my eyes were probably still in REM mode. Nevertheless, after the May 1 uprising (and the fact that I did not register), I did the next best thing—I volunteered.

We were assigned to the Nicanor Garcia Elementary School near the Makati City Hall. I was with **Karla Delgado, Ninfa Bito, Yoohoo** and **Ying Villanueva.** It was a eye-opening experience for all of us (or at least we tried to open our eyes) as it was the first time any of us had volunteered. One thing we observed is how Filipinos love to vote—it was like a town fiesta minus the *lechon*. From opening to closing, the voters were there to make *chismis*, check out who was winning or just hang out.

**A PRINCESS ENTERTAINS.** Princess Marie Chantal Miller-Pavlos shares her entertaining techiniques in the book, "R.S.V.P."



**MUST-HAVE** home accessory—Placemats by Firma. These tabletops are the definitive and chic way of entertaining.

Our roles as poll watchers were to count the Lakas-NUCD watchers in order to give them their meals and check out probable anomalies. What really was appalling was the primitive method the Comelec had implemented. A teacher would read out a name and someone would write it out on the tally board. It was slow and the probability for error was high.

When it came to giving out meals, it was both funny and frustrating. We counted all the volunteers before 7 a.m. By the time we were handing out their midmorning snacks, their number had doubled. Later on we found out that some people would use the IDs of others and claim meals that weren't for them (we were fooled, yes). We realized their ploy when after a time we saw the same ID being used more than three times. I actually made the mistake of giving this woman and child some food even when she was not a poll-watcher and ended up having to buy from the *sari-sari* store outside to give to the volunteers.

Overall it was a taxing experience. The school had four floors and we would go up and down to look into the classrooms to check for anomalies. Our precinct was not considered a hotspot so no untoward incident happened. We finished at 12:30 a.m., after calling in the votes to the secretariat. The whole experience made me proud that I participated. It was the least I could do.

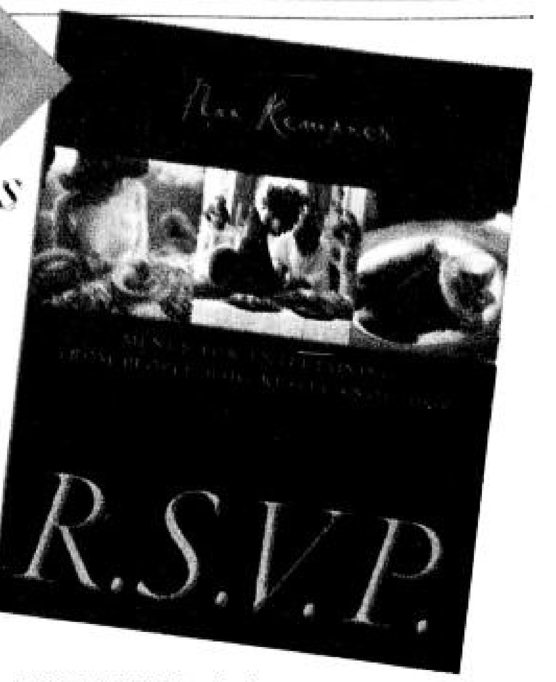
The next question is: Will I do it again? Hmmm, let me see, the next election won't come for another three years and if the Comelec has computers by then, why not?

**Must-have home accessory—Placemats by Firma.** Since it opened, Firma has not ceased to astound people with its ingenious and creative home furnishings, jewelry, shoes and bags. Stopping by one night, I fell in love with these Paco Rabbane-inspired geometric placemats in peridot and ivory wood. These Malate divas (**Ricky, Chito, Richard and Markus**) are really the purveyors of all things cool and chic! Word is that they are opening a bar by the end of the year. I can't wait for that one. Firma is located at 616 J. Nakpil St., Malate, tel. 525-5001.

**The war of the roses.** Not all is rosy in Manila's competitive floral industry. There are about five top floral salons in the country and it seems the competition is heating up with the onslaught of new entrepreneurs. What people don't see and know beyond the beautiful flowers is that the flower industry is like any other business where intrigue, pirating and backbiting abound.

Take the case of one floral shop whose staffers were caught moonlighting for other clients. They chose to leave along with the flower shop's address book and patrons. They have now opened their own flower shop and are offering services at reduced rates. Business is business, and when it gets down to making a buck, for some people there is no such thing as loyalty or friendship.

**Another one bites the dust.** Manila nightlife is in a state of limbo after many of its favorite haunts have been boarded up, from Mars, Sambos, Stars and now to, it seems, Giraffe. It is said the bar is now involved in a labor dispute and the owners are thinking of just closing it. Giraffe gave us so many scandals (especially in the ladies' room) and innovations (like celebrity waiters), it will definitely be missed!



**MUST-HAVE** book for cooks, noncooks and people who like to entertain, "R.S.V.P." by Nan Kempner

**Coast 101.** In Libis, one would be amazed at all the new restaurants and bars that have cropped up. One of them is a colorful bar and grill, Coast 101, which stands out because of its colorful and Boracay-like façade. Inside, one feels he is dining on the beach, especially since the restaurant serves mouth-watering grilled seafood and other Filipino fare. This is one place you will want to return to again and again. The restaurant is located at Libis Acropolis, E. Rodriguez Avenue, tel. 395-5147.

**Where's Fergie?** TNT heard that Prince Andrew arrived last Thursday and had dinner with **President Macapagal-Arroyo** and a select hundred at Malacañang. He is on an official visit here and will tour some development projects funded by British companies.

**Thumbs up!** Congratulations to Sen. **Loren Legarda-Leviste** for being named one of the United Nations Environmental Program's Global 500. The award is given to select men, women and organizations who have excelled in programs to help the environment. This prestigious award will be given next month in Torino, Italy.

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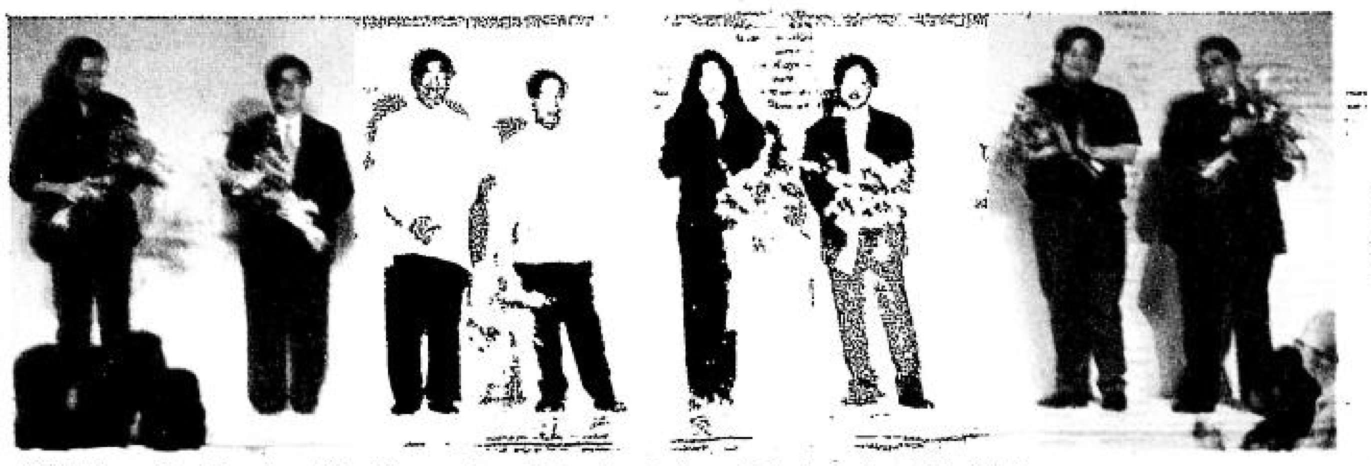

**NOLI** Hans, Ben Farrales, Pitoy Moreno, Inno Sotto, Joe Salazar, Rajo Laurel and Rhett Eala

Eleven couturiers give brides-to-be a wide array of fashionable choices for their altar date

# Top designers relive romance at Metro Veil launch

BY HARRIET ANN DY

**WHAT better way to cap a year of pre paring for Metro Veil's walk down the magazine aisle than to hold an all-encompassing bridal show featuring 11 of the country's top designers.**

Admittedly, it has been a long while since the Filipino public was treated to a ringside—and free—view of what has made designers like Pitoy Moreno, Ben Farrales, Auggie Cordero, Joe Salazar, Noli Hans, Loretto and Inno Sotto bridal favorites time and again. It's also been sometime since the younger set was reminded of what makes GenX designers like Rajo Laurel, Michele Sison, Pepito Albert and Rhett Eala tick among them.

And gathering a wealth of talent on one stage, under the deft directorial hand of Ariel Lozada, was definitely no joke. The Veil fashion show was nothing less than a fashion coup.

There was Joe Salazar taking inspiration from a Spanish fan and creating a fabulous origami-like gown made of Thai silk with a very low back, a bodice studded with beads and silk cabbage rose detail. He also relived the drama of Scarlet O'Hara in "Gone with the Wind" with an eye-catching gown made of printed silk organza with crushed bodice and artificial cabbage rose accent. A fuchsia headdress completed the look.

**AUGGIE** Cordero's modern but classic gowns

**BEN** Farrales's dual purpose gown in baby pink and pristine white

**INNO** Sotto dramatic back number

Auggie Cordero, meanwhile, opted for the classic with a sleeveless ecru gown in silk faille with Swarovski crystals and caviar beads finished with a stunning scalloped veil in French lace. He also harked back to the ladies of painter John Singer Sargent in an ecru gown in embroidered lace with pearl and delicate floral bead designs and, of course, the bustle. A tulle veil in baby blue with dainty floral appliques added a modern touch to an otherwise timeless look.

Noli Hans celebrated geometry in a cutwork masterpiece. He embroidered a latticework of geometric patterns over a column gown and trumpet sleeves. His good friend, Ben Farrales, outdid himself with his dual purpose gowns—in baby pink and pristine white—made of draped matte jersey with several layers of horse hair draped around the Madame Gres-inspired masterpiece. An elegant face veil finished the look.

Like Ben, Pitoy also opted for baby pink with his two-piece gown with intricate beading and feather detail. His fascination with details was also reflected in the modern Filipiniana gown inspired by the *tapis* and embellished with beads, rhinestones and matching tassel that he especially created for the Metro Veil fashion spread.

As usual, Inno Sotto opted for a classic number made more dramatic by a gathered detail at the back of the dress.

Pepito Albert, as usual, shone in his stark simplicity—deep V-neck gowns and asymmetrical minimalist pieces that showed an ultra-modern and ultra-sexy sensibility.

Loretto may be absent, but how can we forget his ballerina-inspired strapless gown with multilayered tulle skirt embellished with Swarovski beads that he used for the Metro Veil pictorial. It's no surprise the gown sold immediately after.

MTV veejay Sarah Meier was stunningly radiant in Rajo Laurel's futuristic silver lycra turtleneck gown with crystal beading, with a paper skirt in a bouffant silhouette. A silk illusion tulle in poppy added a touch of whimsy to the number.

Brides-to-be who plan to say their "I dos" by the beach will like Michele Sison's rock elegant gown in triangular cotton lace with Matsuno beads and a dropped waist held down by wax cord belt encrusted with Swarovski beads. Dropped waist was again the feature of her Persian shantung gown, this time with Art Deco-inspired black glass tiles for the belt.

Finally, Rhett Eala drew up a variation of the off-white bias cut gown in stamped silk he created for our magazine, this time, with Swarovski beads. But what took the cake were the mint green V-neck gown with petal cutout detail in silk chiffon; and another halter number with similar detail.

The potent mix of designers, indeed, should give the bride-to-be enough fashionable choices before she decides what to wear on her big date. More on these and other relevant wedding information and helpful tips will be found in the debut issue of, what else, Metro Veil.

# To remember Brocka is to rally for freedom of expression

(From page F1)

## Thank heavens for Dennis

**DENNIS Garcia** has just confirmed for those of us who celebrated a few milestones in our lives to the Manila Sound of the 1970s that there is no expiration date for creativity. With his brother **Rene**, Dennis wrote the pop hits "Ikaw ang Miss Universe ng Buhay Ko" and "Manila." With other recording artists of the time, the Hotdog, the group which the brothers formed, converted young music lovers to original Pinoy music, the danceable, "sing-alongable" kind.

In the ensuing years, Dennis got busy with a full-time job, marriage, kids, the numerous bills, the intermittent bliss—you know, real life. But the sweetest thing happened while Dennis was living life. His children have inspired him to write a song called "Heaven-Sent" as his counter-offer to Pinoy songs with sexual overtones that are now sizzling sellers. Turns out you can't put a good song down. "Heaven-Sent" is a finalist in the Metropop Song Festival to be aired May 26 on GMA. Dennis is not executive creative director of the advertising agency FCB for nothing.

## Bad is even worse

IT was not only the Comelec that bungled the election. Even the Namfrel bungled its election monitoring, dispatching an inadequate number of volunteers to man the precincts. Many of the volunteers went about their work without food and water. Those who got provisions from Namfrel were worse off. A commercial model, **Moses Llamas**, wolfed down the tuna sandwich given him at the Namfrel Quick Count in Greenhills and suddenly developed stomach spasms. He vomited intermittently and nearly fainted. He was quickly given medical treatment, but next time volunteers are served food, Namfrel better make sure it's clean and unspoiled, which ideally should apply to elections, too.

## Wild babe's a gold-digger

THE SCION of a prominent business family is crying foul over the wild ways of his ex-girlfriend. It seems that the 23-year-old girl, a minor talent from a major TV network, has been playing the field for quite some time now.

He is actually Ms Starlet's second victim because last year, she also shacked up with another scion from a prominent family engaged in the oil business.

If you think she must be some goddess of beauty, she is not. Proof of this is her failure to bag the crown in a little-known beauty contest, which she joined without consulting her boyfriend. Because of his social connections, she wangled complimentary hair styling and makeup from a beauty salon and was able to borrow gowns from the scion's designer pal. To this day, the gowns have not been returned.

Since the separation, Ms Starlet has been badmouthing him although she keeps phoning him. "Leave me alone!" the scion would tell her.

Obviously, he's had enough of stories linking her with two of Manila's seasoned old Lotharios (read: DOMs). Just the same, he prays that she reform her ways and stop going out with men in their 60s and destroying families and lives with her gold-digging ways.

## Cultural conflicts

THE PHILIPPINES has its own "culture wars"—at the National Commission for Culture and the Arts. It is no secret that certain sectors are maneuvering to oust NCCA chair **Jaime Laya** and land their own champion at the premiere culture post.

Last week, the NCCA Committee on Libraries was the scene of a particularly tense confrontation when the chair, **Irene Amores**, chief librarian of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines, suddenly declared she was vacating her chair and relinquishing it to former Sen. **Leticia Ramos-Shahani**.

The members were aghast. "But she's not even a librarian," a member said. Amores said Shahani was a "library user."

When Shahani tried to preside over the meeting, the members politely but firmly told her the whole thing was highly irregular. "I am sorry, Ms Shahani, but this is illegal," one member told her.

Earlier, NCCA executive director **Virgilio Almario** admitted the power struggle in the commission when he issued a statement cautioning "disgruntled" NCCA Committee members against their plan to amend the rules and regulations of the NCCA to elect a new chair.

Almario said the rules were drafted after consultations with artists and cultural workers nationwide and approved by the NCCA Board.

Aside from Amores, Almario also identified archivist **Teresa Montesa** as among disgruntled committee members. Curiously, they are volunteer members of NCCA committees whose terms expire on June 30.

Another sector maneuvering to get the top NCCA post is reportedly connected with the National Historical Institute, which is represented in the NCCA Board.

Meanwhile, over at the National Museum, some people are scratching their heads because of the appointment of Mindanao-based folk artist **Joey Ayala** to the board. Private-sector members of the board are supposed to help the Museum raise funds for its programs and projects. "I don't know how he will help us in this regard," a Museum staffer said.

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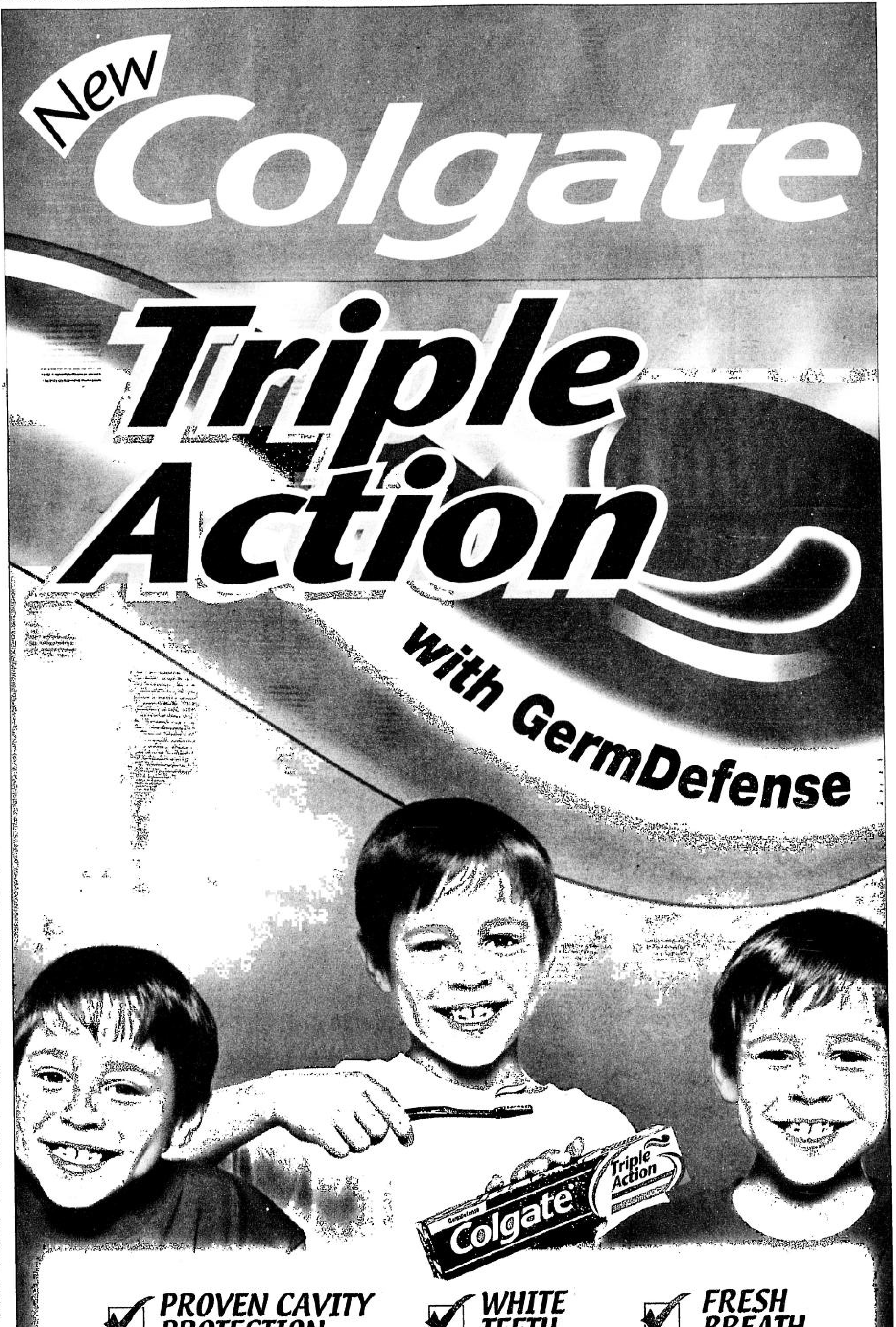

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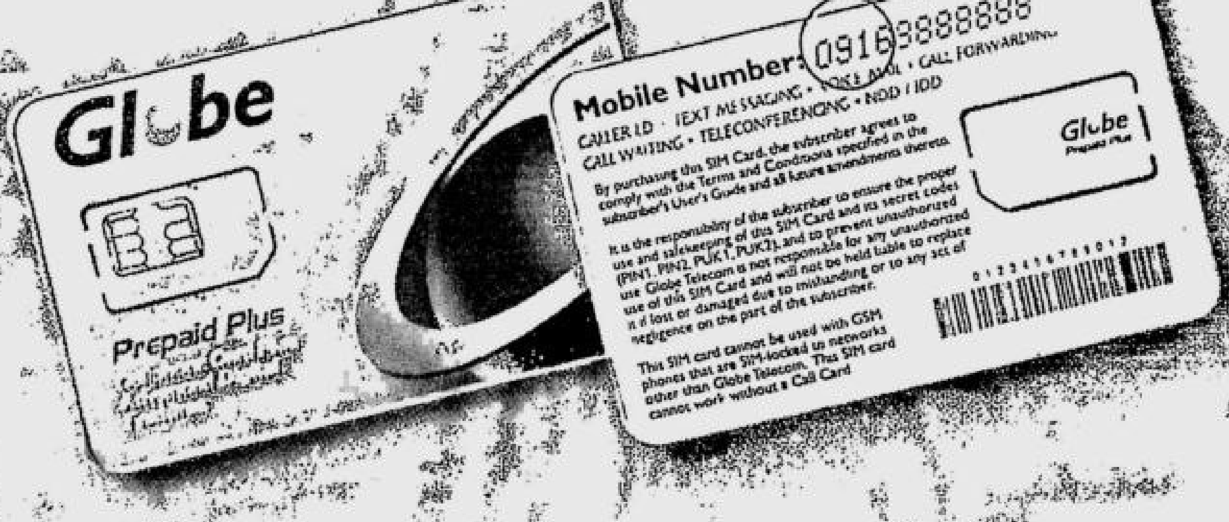
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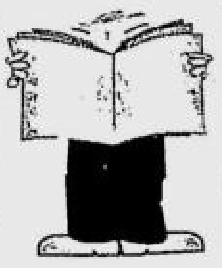

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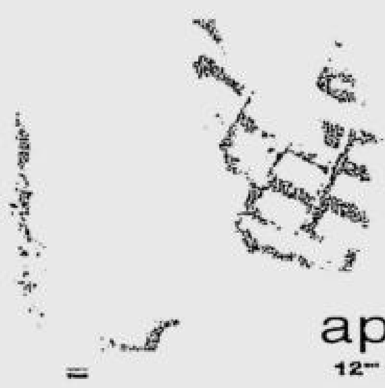

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### Training Manager (Code: TM-HRD)

TheTraining Manager will be responsible in designing and conducting training courses and programs. He/she must be well-versed in the whole training cycle from conducting of needs assessment, formulation of training modules, implementation of training programs, to post-assessment/evaluation. The job will also cover organizational development and career enhancement intervention programs. The ideal candidate must have at least 5 years relevant work experience, 3 years of which must be in a supervisory capacity gained from a service industry. He/she must be a university graduate of Psychology/Behavioral Science/Management. He/she must have strong interpersonal skills; excellent in verbal and written communication; must be smart and aggressive. Persons between twenty-five years of age to early thirties are preferred.

### Program Manager (Code: PM-CS)

The Program Manager will be responsible in planning, directing and implementing business initiatives of the company. The ideal candidate must have extensive experience in project and client management acquired in service or IT industry. He/she must have at least 5 years managerial/supervisory experience in project management. He/she must have strong analytical/mathematical and interpersonal skills; excellent in verbal and written communication; must be smart and aggressive. MBA degree holder from AIM/ADMU/UP is a definite advantage. Persons between twenty-five and thirty years of age are preferred.

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The Receptionist/Secretary shall be responsible in receiving postal mails, attends to and facilitate traffic of phone calls, and handling of enquiries of walk-in customers. As a frontline staff, the ideal candidate must be smart and highly motivated; with pleasing personality; with excellent oral and written communication skills; well organized, and can work under minimal supervision.

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- Must be computer literate

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- At least 27 years old
- AB graduate, major in Communication Arts, Advertising or Public Relations
- With exposure in events coordination preferably in a retail environment
- Must have excellent oral and written communication skills
- Must possess a pleasing and dynamic personality
- Must be computer literate

### BOUTIQUE MANAGERS (Code: R-BM)

- Between 24 to 35 years old
- Graduate of a four-year degree course
- Preferably with work experience in store operations
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- Must be willing to work on weekends and holidays
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- Must be proficient in both oral and written communication
- Must possess a pleasing and dynamic personality
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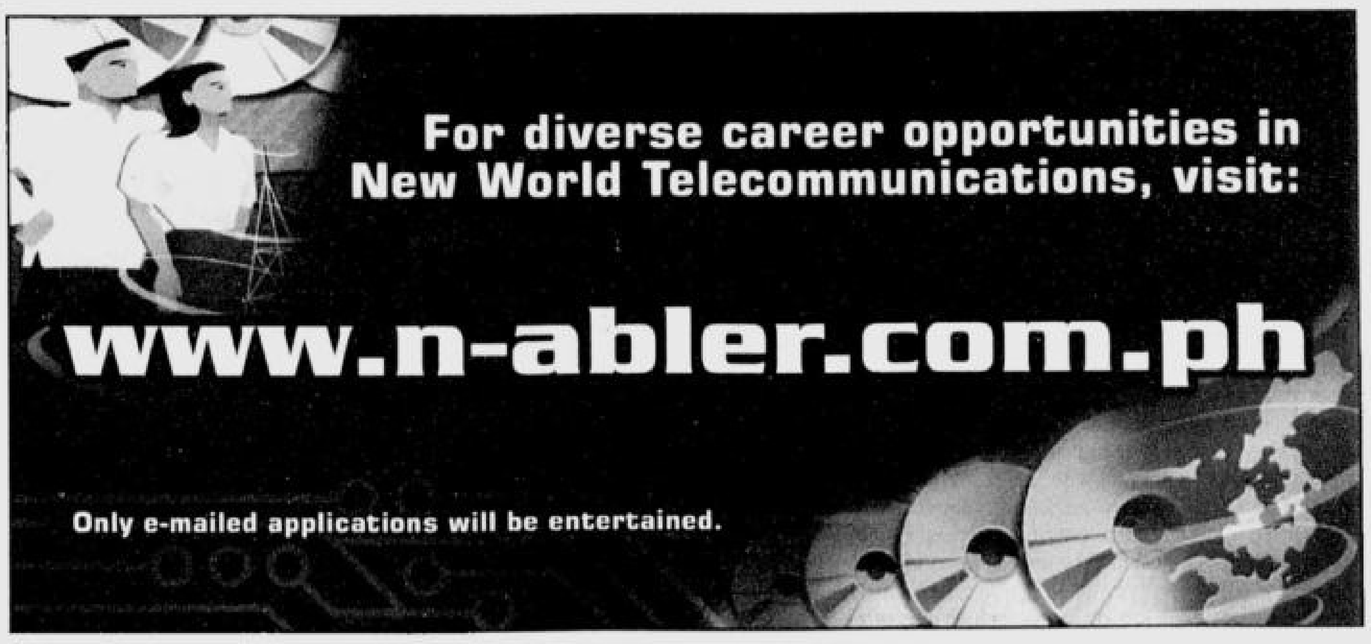
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- Pleasing personality

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- Proficient in both oral and written communications
- Computer literate

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# Humility in the workplace

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"To be humble to superiors is duty; to equals is courtesy; to subordinates is nobleness; and to all is safety."
— St. Thomas Moore

"Humility is the solid foundation of all the virtues."
— Confucius

"The mature rice plant bends its head low."
— Japanese Proverb

As the ripened stalks of rice hang their heads, so must human beings become more humble and lower their heads with age and material advancement. In this manner, the ritual of bowing in Japan reflects the posture and attitude of one's heart. It is generally recognized that an improper bow reflects one's poor training and education, as well as one's immaturity.

In the work setting, the value of humility is hardly ever present. Many employees who, because of their long tenure with the company and the high positions that they occupy, manifest arrogance in dealing with other employees. Those who occupy high positions in particular have a general tendency to be overbearing and have a "know-it-all" attitude. . They tend to disregard company rules because they consider their position as a passport to being exempted from the rules. What is ironic is that they are the ones who unnecessarily flaunt what they consider as their privilege instead of showing a good example for others to emulate.

### Performance evaluation

Some employees think that they are always better compared to other employees. Come promotion or merit increase time, they complain profusely why they obtained a lower rating compared to some employees whom they consider inferior. On the other hand, the ones who get promoted or obtain a higher merit increase flaunt their superiority over the other employees instead of remaining humble and counting their blessings.

Because they have a high regard of themselves, many employees always get frustrated upon obtaining their performance evaluation ratings. They never feel happy unless they get the highest score.

### Accepting mistakes

Some individuals do not like to be corrected. More often than not, people resent being told of their areas of improvement. "Don't change me, just accept me for what I am" is the most common statement of people who fall in this category. But isn't it that humility is the ability to accept one's shortcomings and find ways to correct them?

If one is a true friend, he will find a way to tell the other person his or her shortcomings so that the latter can be guided towards the right direction. As the saying goes, if the advice is right, follow it. If the advice is wrong, ignore it. But do something. This is humility.

What is funny is that the individual who is supposed to do something about improving himself is the one who shows high-handedness and even resents the person who shows concern for his welfare!

### Abuse of authority

Employees who have high positions expect that the treatment given to them by other people should be different. They expect that they will be given VIP treatment. They resent being checked by security guards; they expect that they will be given reserved seats inside the shuttle bus or that other employees will give up their seats for them; they expect that they will not queue in the canteen, etc. These are examples of arrogance in the highest form.

### Treating people with respect

Employees who have high positions should all the more treat other employees with respect. They should be the ones to show to other employees that they allow their car compartments be checked by the security guards; they should be willing to stand inside the shuttle bus if there are no longer available seats; they should not break the line in the canteen by getting ahead of other employees; they should refrain from asking the doctors in the clinic to attend to them ahead of employees waiting; etc. These are examples of humility.

### Leveling off with people

Depending up the position of the employee he is dealing with, one has to adjust the manner in which he conducts himself. This means that a senior engineer, for example, should know how to speak the language of an operator so that the latter can better understand him. This also means understanding the work of the operator and explaining the senior engineer's work expectations not from the level of an engineer armed with a 5-year Engineering degree. In humility, there should also empathy, that is, seeing how other people see it and feeling how other people feel it.

### Extending help down the line

A senior engineer should likewise not expect that it is always the subordinates' responsibility to extend assistance to him, being the employee occupying a higher position. Instead, the senior engineer should be cognizant of the needs of lower level employees and be able to extend a helping hand to them when the need arises.

Indeed, humility is the solid foundation of all the virtues. Employees in the organization should embrace such value so that interpersonal relations will be more meaningful.

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### Testament

I was on a bus
on its way to downtown Bacolod,
found myself looking into the eyes
of an old woman who stared
past my seeing, beyond me.

"I come from Cauayan" she said
"There my husband forever rests."
Her breath smelled of parched earth,
mountain wind, canefields.
each scar, line on her face showed
what could be seasons
of drought, sun and storm.

"I have a son who just passed away."
Her eyes turning glassy. She
might have been thinking of her children
and their children hills and mountains
away where every seed, stalk, and
root crop soon would mark
the onset of rain, an end to what
must have been a long, hot dry
spell. *Ginapas-an nila ang*
*kalibutan.* Earth heavy on their shoulders.

"They will return I still can uproot
the field's weeds." Her words spilling
faith like rain from the sky.

**Felino S. Garcia Jr.**

### EDSA IV

Nais kitang makausap, Inang Bayan,
Dapat kitang masangguni
Pagkat mula sa tarik ng Unang Sigaw
Dito ka raw nitang muli.

Ikaw lamang ang lilikha ng himalang
Bigkisin ang kapuluan
At turuan kaming lahat makidigma
Alang-alang sa katwiran.

Ngunit bakit dambana Mo'y tigib wari
Sa tagisan ng watawat.
Sa timpalak ng sermon at talumpati,
Sa ginhawang di matupad ?

"Pagbabago." "Kaisahan." "Katarungan."
May tinig bang kalaban Mo ?
Ngunit bakit nakaukit kahit saan
Ang gulanit na anino

Ng sarili namin ngayong dinadahas
Ng gutom at kasawian
Sa labas ng dumarami't maririlag
Na palasyo at simbahan ?

Para sa 'Yo bawat dila na magsiklab
At itirik na bandila;
Dibdib nami'y tila waring binibiyak
Tuwing kami'y magtiwala.

Kaya ako'y naparitong nag-iisa
At lingid sa kahit sino.
Pakilinaw, Inang Bayan, kung talagang
May bago Kang Bonifacio.

**Rio Alma**

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**Businesswatch**

*by Joy Rojas*

*photographs by Dennis Sabangan*

*Or, how an enterprising couple turned a garbage dump into the gold mine called Designer Depot*

# Sale 'em Lot

LOCATION-WISE, IT WOULD PROBABLY MAKE A FENG SHUI MASTER FREAK OUT. SITUATED AT THE CORNER OF BUSTLING PRESIDENT QUIRINO AVENUE AND SOUTH SUPERHIGHWAY, MANILA, AND SURROUNDED BY SQUATTERS LIVING IN HIGH-RISE TENEMENTS, THE ONE-HECTARE PRIVATE LOT WAS PREVIOUSLY USED AS A GARBAGE SITE. BUT WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BAD VENUE FOR OTHERS BECAME GOOD BUSINESS FOR OWNERS ANDY AND ALI DY WHEN THE POWER COUPLE DECIDED IN 1999 TO CONVERT THEIR ONCE-IDLE PROPERTY INTO WHAT IS NOW DESIGNER DEPOT.

Excess apparel from their Ibiza children and ladies' line inspired the Dys to open an outlet in this offbeat address, using the open space for a casual ambiance. "All boutiques here and abroad have excess stocks and off-season items," explains Ali. "What we usually do is sell them in the provinces at very low prices, or put them on sale in the mall. But then we have to ask permission first or wait till the mallwide sale because we're not allowed to put up sales the whole-year round. So we thought: We have this big property that's right next to the highway and our Ibiza factory. Why don't we make use of it? In the beginning, it was just convenient for us. But we didn't expect it to click."

*Sky-high profits aside, the biggest success for the Dys so far is dispelling everyone's fear about the Depot's dubious location*

A feature in the trendspotting TV show "F" got the ball rolling. Soon, brands like Levi's were calling to snag a spot in the hip haven for men's and women's ready-to-wear fashion. "The number one requirement for anyone who wants to get in is that they have to have a concept or a theme," says Ali. "We also prefer branded and original items; not items from a *tiangge* (flea market)." In less than a year, Designer Depot became home to such high-profile labels as Levi's, Dockers, Pink & Blue Soda, Ritratto, Converse, GBX, Big & Small Co., Jag, Sketchers, No Fear and Colours. With all spaces of Phase 1 fully leased, the Dys are currently involved in the expansion of Phase 2, where 50 more shops (starting with the likes of Bench, Hush Puppies, and Kickers) are expected to rise. In the future, a three-story Makro-type establishment should complete plans for Phase 3.

Interestingly, the expansion isn't just a physical one: the Dys are opening up the Depot to stores selling quality home products and food.

*The array of shopping options at the Depot*

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*Ali Dy dreams of a designer's boulevard*

"We eventually want to cater to the needs of everybody," says Ali.

Rock-bottom rates explain why Designer Depot is a hit among store owners and shoppers alike. Rent has been kept to a minimum by the couple who owns the property and who offers store owners durable 20-foot container vans instead of conventional stalls. "In the mall, rent eats up about 15 percent of sales. Here, the figure is not even one percent," adds Ali. "In other words, even with a 15-square-meter space, you can make more than your sales in a mall. *Kaya masaya sila dito* (so store owners are happy here)."

The ultimate come-on for shoppers, meanwhile, are the seriously slashed-down prices.

"All items— original, undamaged excess stock and off-season apparel— are on sale and we require at least 20 percent discount," reports Ali. "Some of the things that we carry are new, and even those are discounted."

Naturally, no one can resist a good deal. Politicians and celebrities have been seen checking out the goods, as have folks from the provinces who caught the Designer Depot segment on "Lakbay TV." And what happens when the Dys organize an occasional "sale" of their already on-sale items? "*Naku*, it gets so crowded here, you can't even breathe!" exclaims Ali with a laugh.

Sky-high profits aside, the biggest success for the Dys so far is dispelling everyone's fear about the Depot's dubious location. Manila Mayor Lito Atienza was reportedly so impressed by the radical makeover of the former garbage dump, he invited the couple over to his office to personally congratulate them.

"It bothered even us at first," admits Ali of the surrounding squatters area. "But our neighbors have been very cooperative since we gave the place a makeover. Some of them have come to see this as a park, and others are already working for us, either in the stores or with construction. They may have been threatened by us at first, but now they know that we're here as friends."

## Movers and Shakers

*by Gino Dormiendo*

*As he ends his term as NCCA head, the finance man and culture czar looks back on his work with the country's lead arts and culture agency, and his attempts to make opportunities available to more Filipino artists nationwide*

# The Stewardship of Jimmy Laya

THE MAN AT THE HELM OF THE COUNTRY'S LEAD AGENCY FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS IS CUT OUT FOR THE JOB. JAIME C. LAYA'S FATHER WAS THE BOOK AUTHOR AND RENOWNED FICTION WRITER JUAN LAYA AND HIS MOTHER, SILVINA, NOW 91 YEARS OLD, IS A HISTORIAN. AS A CHILD, HE GREW UP IN AN ENVIRONMENT TOTALLY IMMERSED IN CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC ACTIVITY.

When he opted to pursue an accounting course at the University of the Philippines, graduating magna cum laude at age 18, the whiz kid — a shining product of the country's public schools system — would find himself employed by his alma mater, in charge of the university's finance and administration. Three years later, he finished his masteral studies in industrial management from Georgia Institute of Technology and, in five years, his Ph. D. in financial management from Stanford University.

*Unfazed by rumors and intrigues, not to mention the usual bickering and jockeying for the top post, Laya is confident that the arts and culture agenda he has started will proceed smoothly*

Laya later joined the government as Deputy Governor of the Central Bank, and would move on to the National Economic and Development Authority as Deputy Director General in charge of policy and planning. He would put his financial savvy to good use when he was appointed Minister of Budget in the Marcos cabinet, later serving in the Batasang Pambansa as committee chair on appropriations, then assuming first the post of Central Bank Governor, and finally as Minister of Education, Culture and Sports.

Before he opted to retire from government service in 1986 at age 47 to put up his own auditing firm, Laya Mananghaya & Company, a large part of his professional life had been spent in cultural organizations, including the Friends of the National Museum, the Opera Guild of the Philippines and the Malacañang Heritage Foundation as well as various NGOs related to culture and the arts.

A key point in his cultural involvement, however, was being named chairman of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) by the former President Ramos in 1990. Laya brought to the post the savvy of a financial manager and a life-long passion for the arts, not to mention an enviable track record in running the government bureaucracy. Now a widower at 62 (his wife Alice perished in the earthquake that struck Baguio in 1990), he didn't foresee the day he would find himself working full time in managing the country's chief agency for culture and the arts.

*Laya's faith in the Filipinos as "a highly creative people" remains firm*

*Perusing artworks at the NCCA*

"Filipinos are a highly creative people," Laya observes. "There is always something going in the performing, literary and visual arts. But it is well nigh impossible to measure the quality or even volume of our total artistic activity. Quality is a matter of critical opinion but it is the real gauge in the arts. Quantity, on the other hand, is just as difficult to ascertain, for one has to go into the monetary value of the artistic output in a given year. The best we can do for the moment is to describe the artistic highlights of a particular period."

In the five years that he has spent at the NCCA, Laya points out the relative increase in the scale and scope of NCCA operations. "We offer more and larger grants now than in the past and these grants go to a greater number of people from all over the country," says Laya.

While the NCCA used to spend millions on conferences and meetings, it now spends much more on actual creative work, on the conservation and restoration of our cultural heritage, on publications, and on the revival of traditional arts — projects that, in Laya's words, "are not only of national importance but also with highly tangible, lasting impact."

The NCCA, under Laya's management, has embarked on a number of major projects, notably the protection and conservation of our built heritage, the strengthening and revival of traditional arts, the increase of cultural literacy among schoolteachers and students, and the encouragement of young artists in their search for new ways of creative expression. The NCCA has introduced a competitive grants program in its effort to encourage more and more grants applicants from where it seeks to identify and support the greatest innovation and creativity.

A recent innovation, says Laya, is the NCCA website (www.ncca@gov.ph) by which anyone — from students and professionals to overseas Filipinos — can access all vital information on Philippine culture and the arts.

This is in line with the NCCA's long-term goal of fostering greater awareness of the arts and culture, with the organization now devoting more effort to cultural education, including a cultural literacy program for schoolteachers and students.

"Compared with other countries," Laya observes, "Filipinos don't seem to buy as many books, or tickets to concerts and plays, or hang as many paintings on our walls. That is precisely why we are working closely with the DECS officials in reviewing the basic education curriculum, so that there can be a stronger element of world and Philippine history, cultural heritage and appreciation of the visual, literary and performing arts. While schools are tasked to help develop artistic talent, I think it is more essential for schools to develop art appreciation, to enable children to distinguish between good art and bad art, with the end-view of patronizing the former."

The NCCA, under Laya's stewardship, has encouraged the appreciation of culture and arts of our indigenous people, who comprise about 10 percent of our population, mainly through activities such as *Dayaw*, a festival of the country's traditional arts, and the conferment of the Gawad ng Manlilikha ng Bayan.

Laya explains: "Through these activities, we hope to strengthen the pride of our cultural communities in their culture, to revive old and possibly dying traditions, and at the same time familiarize the ordinary lowland Filipino to the culture of our indigenous people. This way, we are helping build social cohesion among our people, instilling a sense of nationhood."

For the general public, the NCCA has supported culturally rich materials aired on radio and television. One such program is "Tipong Pinoy," directed at schoolchildren. Another is "Diwa," a 13-episode television series that traces about 600 years of the nation's history from the early 1400s to the 1970s, depicting the lives of Filipinos against the backdrop of major events in history. Then there is the series on cultural tourism, intended for the general audience.

Under Laya and NCCA Executive Director Virgilio Almario, himself a multi-awarded poet and publisher of children's books, the NCCA envisions itself to become a more integral component of national development efforts. Laya compares culture to agriculture, providing income and employment, producing goods and services of an artistic character — for the consumption of consumers.

Adhering in its mandate to identify and support grants projects truly deserving of taxpayer funds, Laya would prefer more recipients in the various regions who will work with local government units in enhancing local culture and arts programs.

The Sambayan festival, a year-long festival mounted nationwide in 2000, was a step in this direction. The cultural heritage sector has likewise implemented a set of interfacing projects in such cultural models as Vigan and Bohol.

Because his term officially ends in June, Laya is leaving the option of choosing a new NCCA head to President Arroyo in accordance with the law (Republic Act 7356) that created it. Unfazed by rumors and intrigues, not to mention the usual bickering and jockeying for the top post, Laya is confident that the arts and culture agenda he has started will proceed smoothly, and ultimately go beyond all these political variables. Being a survivor of numerous battles that he has fought in his professional life, Laya is confident that he will ultimately be vindicated by his adherence to ethical standards and the soundness of the cultural programs that are now in place at the NCCA. Having weathered the opposition's protracted ploy to discredit him when he took over the reins of the organization, he believes his style of management — a keen business sense coupled with genuine concern for artistic growth and excellence — will speak for itself, and the hue and cry from disgruntled voices will finally die down.

A true lover and long-time avid collector of Filipiniana artifacts all his life, Laya points to his other love, raising his four children by himself since the death of his wife Alice. The Laya children have taken after their father in the high premium they have placed on education; the eldest is an Industrial Engineering graduate from UP, the second a Management Engineering graduate from the Ateneo, the third in his last year in medicine at UP, and the youngest set to finish Economics at the Ateneo.

For the culture czar who has taken numerous bold steps in advancing the cause of arts and safeguarding our cultural heritage, the journey has just begun, although it may now take a different form as he leaves the NCCA. And, considering the work still to be done with regards to the promotion of Filipino art and culture, there is a long way to go.

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*Three budding young authors, including a Subanen girl from a small town, pen winning stories about the need to save our environment*

# Big Little Dreams

On top of the world: Ritchel never thought she had a ghost of a chance

AT AGE 9, THE FOUR-HOUR TRIP TO ZAMBOANGA CITY WAS THE FARTHEST RITCHEL A. MODAL HAD EVER MADE FROM PALINTA, KABASALAN, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR. TRINIDAD L. ELESTERIO, HER PILIPINO TEACHER AT THE PALINTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE SHE IS A GRADE IV PUPIL, SAID THE LITTLE GIRL WAS SO AWED TO BE IN A CITY THAT SHE ASKED IF THEY WERE IN MANILA.

The little Subanen girl, who did not think her story had a ghost of a chance in a nationwide writing contest, suddenly found her world opening up. Zamboanga City was just the first stop in a journey that eventually took her to Manila last April to receive her prize for one of the winning stories in this year's "7th Kuwentong Kalikasan Katha ng Kabataan," in ceremonies held at Carlos P. Romulo Auditorium at the RCBC Plaza. Modal joined fellow winners Jenny Pearl Fadul, a Grade VI pupil at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy in Mati, Davao Oriental, and Patricia Mae C. Cielo, who is in Grade VII at the Colegio de San Agustin in Makati City.

> *Although the bank officials in Kabasalan town found Ritchel's story interesting, they did not hold much hope that it would stand up to the competition from all over the country*

So far, the only information that seems to have sunk in for Ritchel is the fact that she won. As for the other details of her victory, Ritchel does not seem to know much. When asked by Zamboanga City Mayor Maria Clara Lobregat how much she was going to get for her award-winning essay, Ritchel could only mutter a shy, "*Ambot!* (I don't know)." But she does know what she will do with the money. "*Ibibigay ko sa nanay at tatay ko* (I will give it to my mother and father)," she says, although she hopes to buy herself a watch with her cash prize.

But for a determined teacher, joining a nationwide contest was not something Ritchel would have ventured into. She braced herself for what she thought was certain defeat.

Roelito Ortega, the 30-year-old manager of the RCBC branch in Kabasalan, was also just going through the motions when he sent the town's lone entry to the contest. Although his office found the Subanen girl's story of the legend of a swamp in Palinta interesting, they did not hold much hope that it would stand up to the competition from all over the country. Still, there was that little chance: "*Baka makalusot,*" Ortega thought.

It seemed that it was only Elesterio who was not intimidated by the prospect of stiff competition. She exuded confidence that "*Ang Latian ng Palinta (Isang Alamat),*" Ritchel's little story, would pass muster.

Winners' circle: Jenny Pearl Fadul (left) and Patricia Mae Cielo

The plucky teacher, who spent six years in Riyadh as a contract worker and another three in Manila in the circulation department of a magazine, was actually the one who told Ritchel about the contest and encouraged her to join.

Now Ritchel, who wants to be a doctor, has realized that being in a small barangay is no reason why she could not dream big. Jenny Pearl Fadul, 12, was also prepared to be disappointed. As another *promdi* joining a nationwide contest, she thought her chances were slim. "OK *lang ako. Handa ang sarili na hindi manalo.* At least *nag-try*," was her attitude. The daughter of a police officer and a faculty member at the Davao Oriental State University, Jenny Pearl uses some pretty big Tagalog words for someone who grew up in Cebuano-speaking Mati. The vocabulary was developed from spending most of her school breaks with relatives in Paete, Laguna, her father's hometown. Jenny Pearl hopes to become a computer programmer.

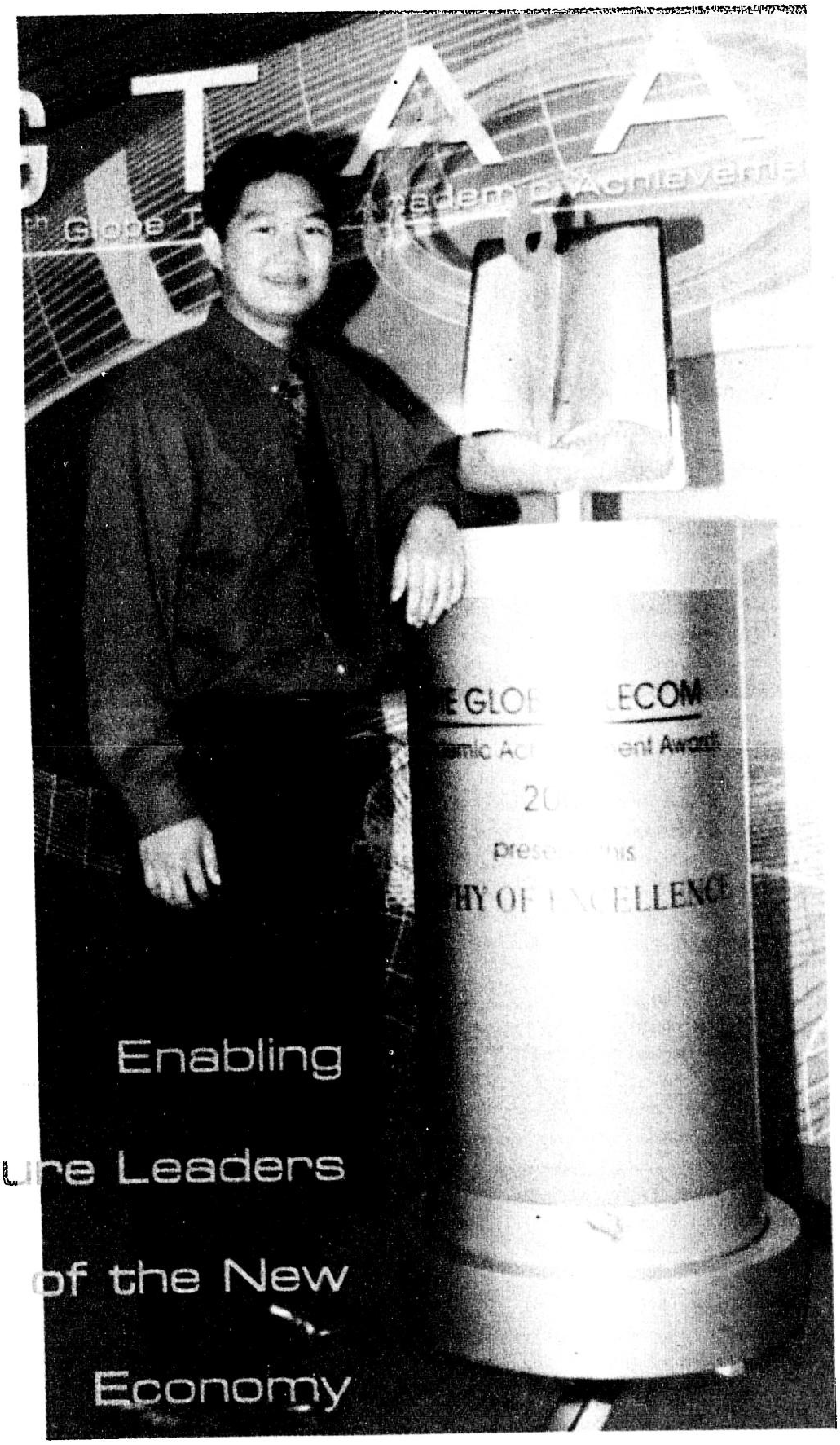
Thirteen-year-old Patricia Mae Cielo's concern was that her story would not make sense because the length of entries was limited. "There was a possibility I would not win because I was not able to develop the characters in my story, because we were limited to 1,000 words," she says. Patricia, who wants to be a pediatrician, tried to pattern her style after that of Madeleine L'Engle, her favorite author.

The bank honored these three young storytellers whose works demonstrate that, despite their ages, they know and understand the environmental problem and the need for urgent action.

# GTAAA

## The 6th Globe Telecom Academic Achievement Awards

*By Carlos Andres M. Jazmines*



Enabling Future Leaders of the New Economy

THE COLLEGE AWARDEES FOR THE 6TH GLOBE TELECOM ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS, OR GTAAA, WERE ANNOUNCED ONE BY ONE, AND THEY PROCEEDED UPSTAGE TO RECEIVE THEIR TROPHIES.

The grand ballroom of the Hotel Inter-Continental in Makati that evening of April 23, 2001 was filled with students, parents, school officials and company executives – all there to watch the GTAAA Grand Awarding Ceremonies.

In his seat, Jinoe Morcilla Gavan, 22, cannot help but feel some degree of nervousness. Most of the other winners, all of them his newfound friends since he joined the search, were by now acknowledged and beaming onstage, except for him.

Moments later, he knew why. There came a loud, resounding cheer from the audience and from his school representative, Dean Florita C. Napallatan, when the surprised Jinoe was finally introduced and given honor as the 6th GTAAA Overall Awardee.

Jinoe, an ECE graduate of the University of St. La Salle in Bacolod City, certainly won the award under special circumstances. It was the first time that his school was included in the GTAAA search. And because of an outstanding student like him, his school only needed that first time to produce the top winner of the program.

Even as a young student, Jinoe early on had always impressed both his superiors and his peers by exhibiting traits of being an achiever – one destined to be a future leader in the New Economy.

Tall, approachable and always friendly, behind Jinoe's cheerful smile is a highly-intelligent mind. Jinoe made his mark in college by being the recipient of such recognition as the DOST (Department of Science and Technology) scholarship award and the College of Engineering leadership award. Outside the realm of academics, Jinoe also extends himself in his involvements with socio-political affairs, journalism and the student arm of the Institute of Electronics and Communications Engineers of the Philippines (IECEP).

Jinoe sees the program that made him the 6th GTAAA Overall Awardee as "a great program that provides excellent exposure to graduating students." He muses that the GTAAA "can add to one's experience and confidence as one prepares himself for the real world."

### GTAAA Beginnings

Started in 1995, the GTAAA was instituted by Globe to be an annual industry-academe linkage program promoting student excellence. Now on its sixth

*The 2001 GTAAA College Awardees and their presentors (front row, from left): Anthony R. Olvis - Mindanao State Univ. - Iligan Institute of Technology (Iligan City); Gaylord C. Belen - Mapua Institute of Technology (NCR); Ritchie D. Ramos - Silliman Univ. (Dumaguete City); Marcellin Jay C. Panes - Univ. of Southeastern Phils. (Davao City); Grant Ian L. Hatamosa - Univ. of San Carlos (Cebu City); Christian Anthony T. Reyes - Univ. of Sto. Tomas (NCR); Raymund A. Cueva - St. Louis Univ. (Baguio City); and Ricardo C. Novenario - Univ. of the Phils. - Diliman (NCR)*

*Also in photo are (back row, from left): Renato A. Francisco, Jr. - Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila (NCR); Mary Grace C. de Vera - Adamson Univ. (NCR); Rex E. Alibogha - Central Phil. Univ. (Iloilo City); Erwin V. Salaveria - Don Bosco Technical College (NCR); Globe Telecom Chairman Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala II; 2001 GTAAA Panel of Judges Chairman Joel J. Marciano; Jinoe M. Gavan - Univ. of St. La Salle (Bacolod City); NTC Commissioner Eliseo M. Rio, Jr.; Globe Telecom President and CEO Gerardo C. Ablaza, Jr.; Gilbert Bryant C. Ong - De La Salle Univ. (NCR); Mark Vic L. Obaob - Xavier Univ. Ateneo de Cagayan (Cagayan de Oro City); and Abe P. Villajos - Mindanao Polytechnic State College (Cagayan de Oro City).*

## GTAAA MILESTONES

1995 - then Globe Telecom President and CEO Filemon T. Berba, Jr. conceptualizes the GTAAA

Aug 1995 - 1st GTAAA makes pilot search in select colleges and universities nationwide for the College Level, and select schools in NCR, Batangas and Cavite for the High School Level

Apr 1996 - Jerome T. Auza of the University of San Carlos, Cebu City is proclaimed 1st GTAAA Overall Awardee for 1995-1996; GTAAA Alumni Club is formed

Aug 1996 - work for the 2nd GTAAA begins; program extends to include Palawan, Occidental Mindoro and Oriental Mindoro for the High School Level search

Apr 1997 - Ariel B. Amarillo of the De La Salle University, NCR is recognized as the 2nd GTAAA Overall Awardee for 1996-1997

Aug 1997 - the 3rd GTAAA search begins; program extends to include Mindanao-based schools for the High School Level search

Apr 1998 - Wyant S. Chan of the University of the Philippines-Diliman, NCR is declared 3rd GTAAA Overall Awardee for 1997-1998

Aug 1998 - search for 4th GTAAA begins; prizes increased to P50,000 for the Overall Awardee, P20,000 for the College Awardees and P10,000 for the High School Awardees

Feb 1998 - pre-selected colleges grow to 15 while High School Awardees likewise grow to 15 covering all of Globe's service areas

Apr 1999 - first female and 4th GTAAA Overall Awardee, Minette Alexandra C. Sy from the University of the Philippines - Diliman, NCR, wins for 1998-1999

Apr 2000 - Angelo D. Tabuac of the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, NCR emerges as the 5th GTAAA Overall Awardee for 1999-2000; the GTAAA Alumni Card is launched

Jul 2000 - GTAAA further extends the coverage of its High School Level search to the Visayas region; a new college is also added to the College Level search

Mar 2001 - 6th GTAAA generates P1.91 million in sponsorships

Apr 2001 - Jinoe M. Gavan of the University of St. La Salle in Bacolod is the 6th GTAAA Overall Awardee for 2000-2001

successful year, the GTAAA has established itself as the core social responsibility program of Globe Telecom in the company's efforts to contribute to nation-building. It is also the GTAAA's goal to promote public interest through telecommunications and Information Technology (IT).

Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala II, chairman of Globe Telecom, is among those who see the continuing success of the program. "When first established and presented six years ago, these awards were envisioned by Globe to help in promoting academic excellence in science and technology in the country, and to encourage more of our young people to take up science and technology as their chosen field of study and career. Everything that has happened since has served to confirm the usefulness and timeliness of such a program," Zobel said.

For his part, Globe Telecom President and CEO Gerardo C. Ablaza, Jr. believes in the difference that the program makes in the Filipino youth. "Our search for outstanding youth is one of our company's contributions to realize their potentials and to recognize them for the achievers that they are," Ablaza said. He adds that by spurring the interests of students in telecoms and IT and by encouraging them to excel, the GTAAA helps provide for a sufficient and sustained manpower resource for the industries of the future

*DECS Secretary Raul S. Roco was the awarding ceremonies' guest of honor.*

*Globe Telecom Chairman Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala II addresses the attendees of the GTAAA awarding ceremonies.*

### The New Economy

Zobel estimates that over the past 20 years alone, there has been more technological change in the world than in all recorded history. With today's New Economy, the acceleration of change is even faster.

Technology in the Philippines, spurred by the advent of state-of-the-art telecommunications, has made a tremendous impact in the life of every Filipino. Indeed, the introduction of such telecoms innovations such as cellular phones, Internet and fast data transmission in the country has revolutionized the way Filipinos live, work and play.

However, amidst the wave of high-tech gadgets and tools that sprout in the market, the most important factor of all remains to be the human factor. Recognizing the important role that the Filipino individual plays in powering the technology-driven New Economy, Globe Telecom took the path towards social involvement by introducing its GTAAA program.

### A Well-Supported Program

The GTAAA has from the start been backed by Globe Telecom's corporate friends, government agencies and the telecoms and IT sectors. The Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) also play indispensable roles, being the government bodies Globe works with in determining the top schools and universities where the GTAAA awardees will emerge.

Also among those who support the GTAAA are the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) and the Department of Science and Technology (DOST). The GTAAA also gets support from independent testing institution Center for Educational Measurement (CEM) in the administration of the high school examinations.

Year after year, the GTAAA also gets help from a panel of judges whose members come from respected institutions in the public and private sectors. The 6th GTAAA judges came from such organizations such as CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, the Institute of Integrated Electrical Engineers of the Philippines (IIEEP), NTC, National Youth Commission, the Philippine Council for Advanced Science and Technology Research and Development-DOST (PCASTRD-DOST) and the Philippine Electronics and Telecommunications Federation (PETEF).

Corporate supporters and sponsors of the recently-concluded 6th GTAAA included Alcatel, Ericsson, Fujitsu, Hewlett-Packard, Lucent Technologies, NEC-Sumitomo, Nokia and Tomen. Also extending support were Ayala Corporation, Breriton Marketing and Experes International, Inc.

## The Winners Speak

If one listens to what some of the 6th GTAAA college winners have to say, there can be no denying that the program has clearly made a difference in their lives. "The program gave me the inspiration to pursue my dreams even more and helped me to have a view of what challenges I will be facing in the real world," says Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila's Renato A. Francisco, Jr.

Another college winner, Central Philippine University's Rex E. Alibogha, agrees that the GTAAA helps build the character of the participants. Silliman University's Ritchie D. Ramos contributes that the GTAAA has "challenged him to work harder to contribute something for the advancement of the country" while St. Louis University's Raymund A. Cueva says the program "really inspires students to excel in academics and civic activities."

While other college awardees have more or less the same things to say about the program, Mapua Institute of Technology's Gaylord C. Belen adds a different view. "The most important thing is that I was able to meet a lot of people. I gained a lot of friends through the GTAAA," he said.

## The Numbers Increase

The GTAAA is open to college and high school students from selected schools in the National Capital Region (NCR), Southern Luzon, Mindanao and the Visayas. Visayas was recently added for the High School Level. With the inclusion of Visayan high schools, 52 new high schools fielded candidates for the first time and produced four awardees. The total number of 6th GTAAA High School Awardees thus increased to 19, coming from 15 the previous program year. The list of 6th GTAAA College Awardees was also increased to 16, coming from 15 the year before.

Since the start of the program in 1995, the GTAAA has now recognized a total of 78 college and 85 high school awardees for a total of 163 awardees in all.

## Joining the Search

The GTAAA starts its search for qualified students by July each year.

College candidates have to be regular graduating students taking up Electronics and Communications Engineering (ECE) or Electrical Engineering (EE); belong to the top 5% of their batch; have no failing grades; and of good moral standing.

*The GTAAA Panel of Judges (seated, from left): CHED NCR Dir. Dr. Amelia A. Biglete, DOTC Telecom Policy and Planning Div. Chief Engr. Aurora A. Rubio, IIEEP Nat'l. Pres. Engr. Fe Dalisay M. Barrientos, Nat'l. Youth Commission Chairperson and CEO Mabel P. Villarica-Mamba, DECS Sr. Educ. Program Specialist Lourdes C. Ilagan; (standing, from left) PETEF Exec. Dir. Jose E. Escaner, Jr., NTC Common Carrier Authorization Dept. Dir. Engr. Edgardo V. Cabanos, IECEP Past Pres./Former ECE Board Examiner Engr. Joel J. Marciano, IECEP President Fernando C. Morales, and PCASTRD-DOST Div. Chief Engr. Nelson P. Beniqbon; Marciano chaired the Panel of Judges*

*GTAAA Overall Awardee Jinoe M. Gavan (third from left) receives his trophy. With him are (from left) Globe Telecom Chairman Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala II, University of St. La Salle Dean Florita C. Napallatan, Panel of Judges Chairman Joel J. Marciano, NTC Commissioner Eliseo M. Rio, Jr. and Globe Telecom President and CEO Gerardo C. Ablaza, Jr.*

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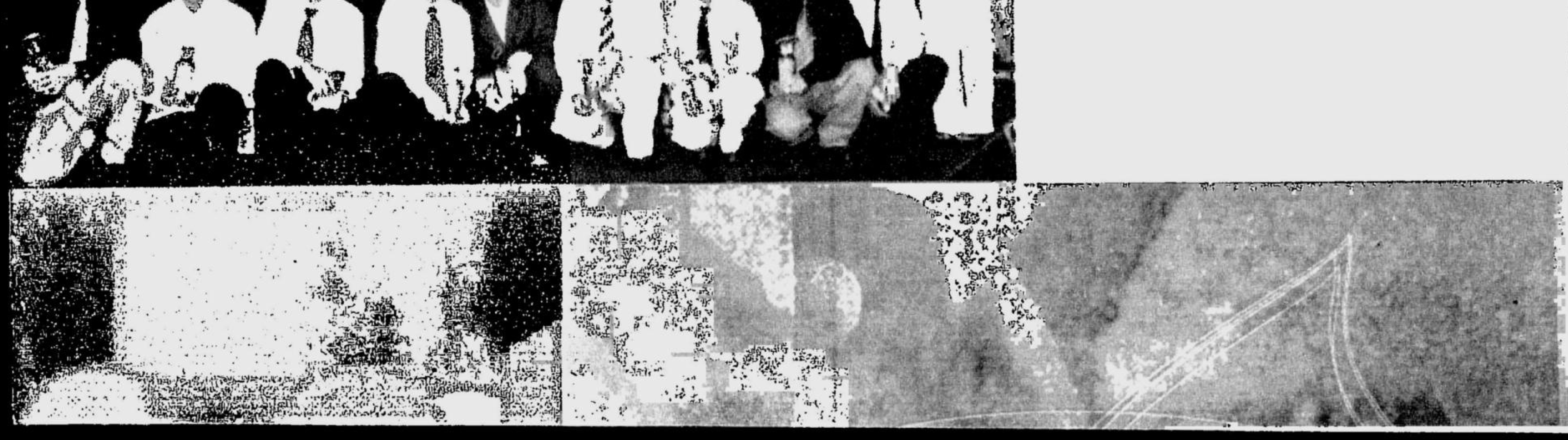
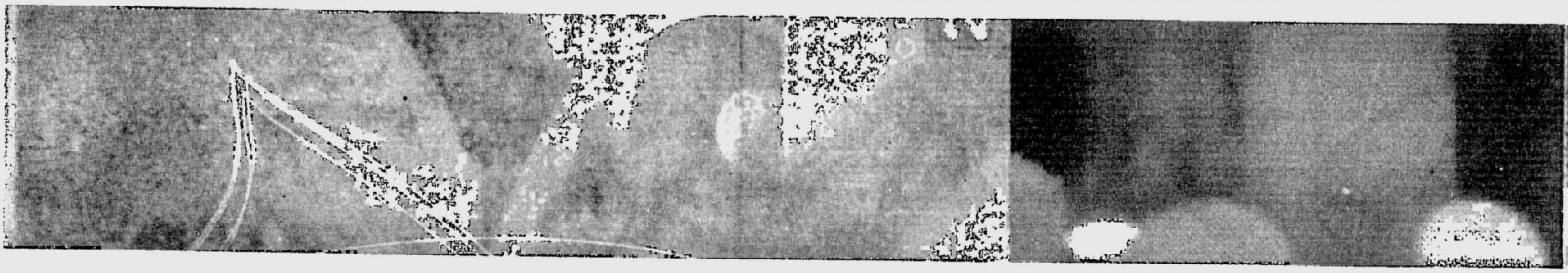
*The 2001 GTAAA High School Awardees and their presentors (front row, from left): Paul Marty Jordan O. Fuentes (Occidental Mindoro); Rainier Owen Fenar S. Rosete (North Cotabato); Niño dJ. Eustaquio (Pasig City); Brian P. Loya (Marikina City); Allindon D. Montesco (Lanao del Norte); Byron Jordan L. de Borja (Maguindanao); Ambrosio C. Jumangit III (Oriental Mindoro); Mark Lester N. Alvarez (Batangas); Ace P. Geroche (Iloilo City); (back row from left) Maria Francesca F. Gatpandan (Cavite); Normilah D. Lindao (Lanao del Sur); Globe Telecom Chairman Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala II; Gwenneilyn M. Franza (Cebu City); Ria R. Vivar (Dumaguete City); Globe Telecom President and CEO Gerardo C. Ablaza, Jr.; Aileen A. Artus (Bacolod City); Denise G. dela Cuesta (Palawan); Katrina M. Dequiña (San Juan); Patricia Ruth G. Cristobal (Makati City); and Reynalyn G. Bebidor (Sultan Kudarat)*





The same high requirements are expected from high school candidates. They must be regular graduating students with a final grade average of at least 85% from first to fourth years; have no failing grades; and of good moral standing. College and high school candidates must also be officially endorsed by their schools.

All candidates pass through a rigid selection process, which includes pre-qualification, selection and final evaluation. During pre-qualification, the submissions are validated and the qualified applicants are determined.

In the selection process, college qualifiers take the written exam by January, and go through the panel interviews. Globe holds exams in various areas nationwide for high school qualifiers also during this period, while exams and interviews for college qualifiers are held in Metro Manila.

In the final evaluation phase, the winners' standing in the GTAAA search are evaluated. For the High School Level, the written exam comprises 60% of their standing and their final grade average 40%. For the College Level, 40% goes to the panel interview, 35% to the written exam and 25% to the final grade average. The identity of the GTAAA Overall Awardee is determined from the highest-ranking college winner. Globe Telecom holds the GTAAA Grand Awarding Ceremonies at around April of every year to formally announce the awardees of the search.

*Globe Pres. and CEO Gerardo C. Ablaza, Jr.*

*Atty. Rodolfo A. Salalima, Globe SVP for Corporate and Regulatory Affairs*

### Gold at the Rainbow's End

GTAAA College Level Awardees receive P20,000 each and a Trophy of Recognition. The College Awardees' schools also receive Trophies of Recognition. Selected from the College Awardees, the GTAAA Overall Awardee receives a cash award of P50,000 and a Trophy of Excellence. A Trophy of Excellence is also awarded to the college or university of the GTAAA Overall Awardee.

High school winners are also called Area Awardees because they represent their areas as well as their schools. High School Awardees get P10,000 and a Trophy of Recognition each. Their schools also receive Trophies of Recognition.

GTAAA winners may also receive other special prizes. The 6th GTAAA winners, for instance, all received scientific calculators with the GTAAA Overall Awardee receiving a computer and printer from sponsor Hewlett-Packard.

### Towards the 7th Year

The successful sixth year of the GTAAA can only lead to another successful year. Preparations are underway to start the school orientations, the first phase of the program, in June of this year to a new batch of high school and college students. "We are planning a bigger year for the 7th GTAAA for 2001-2002," said Globe Telecom Asst. Vice President for Public Relations Jones Campos.

"As we begin the program anew, we will be going again to areas and schools nationwide to invite more outstanding and deserving students across the country to join the program," he added.

Forward-looking, Globe has put the same energy and resources in promoting programs for the youth, coming from the six years gained of enabling future leaders for the New Economy.

## GTAAA 1995-2001

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| Qualifiers for the GTAAA High School Level | 120 | 279 | 387 | 289 | 410 | 430 | 1,915 |
| GTAAA High School Level Awardees | 8 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 85 |
| GTAAA College Level Awardees | 10 | 8 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 78 |
| Overall Awardee | Jerome T. Auza<br>ECE - University of San Carlos, Cebu City | Ariel B. Amarillo<br>ECE - De La Salle University, NCR | Wyant S. Chan<br>ECE - University of the Philippines - Diliman, NCR | Minette Alexandra C. Sy<br>ECE - University of the Philippines - Diliman, NCR | Angelo D. Tabuac<br>ECE - Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, NCR | Jinoe M. Gavan<br>ECE - University of St. La Salle, Bacolod City | 6 |
| Panel of Judges | 6<br>CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, IIEEP, NTC | 7<br>CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, IIEEP, NTC, PETEF | 6<br>CHED, DECS, IECEP, IIEEP, PCASTRD-DOST, PETEF | 9<br>CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, IIEEP, NTC, PCASTRD-DOST, PETEF, private sector | 9<br>CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, IIEEP, NTC, NYC, PCASTRD-DOST, PETEF | 10<br>CHED, DECS, DOTC, IECEP, IIEEP, NTC, NYC, PCASTRD-DOST, PETEF, TCTI | |
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| Endorsements | DECS/CHED | DECS/CHED | DECS/CHED | DECS/CHED | DECS/CHED | DECS/CHED | 6 consecutive years |
| College Awardees who joined Globe Telecom | 4<br>Vernon S. Ponio - Network Quality, MCG; Jose M. Luistro, Jr. - Planning & Imp., FNG; Erwin C. Tan - Opn's. Div., FNG; Edward Rolf N. Magtajas - Nat'l. Transmission Div., FNG | 4<br>Ariel B. Amarillo - Eng'g. Opn's. Div., MCG; Le Roy N. Munar - Network Quality, MCG; David O. Israel - Planning & Imp., FNG; Eduardo M. Maglasang, Jr. - Visayas Centers Mgt. Div., CMG | | 3<br>Luisito L. Dungo - Technical Div., CBG; Diosdado C. Magsalay - Opn's. Div, FNG; Cletus John P. Acebes - Opn's. Div., FNG | 1<br>Francis Arvin S. Reyes - Opn's. Div., FNG | | 12 |

Cover Story
by Fe B. Zamora

Her life was a quintessential B-movie, filled with mystery, deception and dangerous romance [illegible] until the enigmatic woman known as Rosebud blew the whistle on the PNP's alleged drug dealing. Today the future remains uncertain for the spunky erstwhile police agent.

# The World of Mary Ong

IT'S ONE OF THOSE PLOTS B-MOVIES ARE MADE OF: A PRETTY GIRL WITH AN UNUSUAL PREDILECTION FOR BACK STREET AFFAIRS MEETS A DASHING LAW ENFORCER WITH A ZEAL FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP); SHE IS A CIVILIAN AGENT OF THE HONG KONG POLICE. THEY ARE ON THE TRAIL OF DRUG SYNDICATES PLYING THE HK-MANILA ROUTE.

And so they meet, as they always do, through a common friend who happens to be her "handler." Police Superintendent John Campos is pleased to meet her. Mary Ong, also known as Rosebud/Lily Cheung/Lily Wong/Baby Tsina/China Girl, is smitten. Amidst the razzle-dazzle of metropolitan HK, they fall in love.

They travel together, infiltrate the Triad and come out alive to give a detailed report to their bosses. They work together so well. And why not? Mary is smart, spunky and pretty. She speaks Fookien and Mandarin. Driven and trained to swear by the ideals of courage, integrity and loyalty at the Philippine Military Academy (Class '87), John couldn't have had a more perfect "asset."

Both are estranged from their respective spouses, too. She has two sons from her previous marriage. She is also 10 years his senior.

Before she met John, Mary was working for then Chief Supt. Panfilo Lacson's Task Force Habagat. And years previous, in the '80s, she was tramping the Manila-HK underworld coordinating the flow of dollars in the black market. She was arrested in 1992 and charged with drug trafficking before the Pasay City court. She claims she was framed by the Pueda brothers, who would themselves be killed during a shootout with fellow policemen.

She met Lacson sometime '92-'93 through a friend from the underworld. "My friend asked me if I wanted to be an informer. He said since I have so much information to give, why not make money out of it?" She was delighted to meet Lacson. "I found him charming, clean-cut. But his connection with the Binondo Chinese was not so great," she recalls.

Her first "project" with Lacson ended in a shootout with drug traffickers in New Manila and yielded a total of 30 kilos of shabu. The lawmen pounced upon the suspects with blazing guns followed by flashing cameras as Joseph Estrada, then vice president and head of the Presidential Anti-Crime Commission (PACC), opened the trunk of the fallen suspects' car to retrieve the contraband. "I made about P1M (as commission) from that project," Mary recalls. "I don't know what happened to the drugs. I was paid, that was my concern. If you are an agent, nothing is free."

A rose by any name:
Mary Ong and
passports bearing her
different identities

AS A CHILD growing up in Binondo, Mary knew how it was to be poor. They were not rat poor, but they were not middle-class either. Mary's parents and two brothers lived in a two-story apartment along an *estero*. They didn't have a car. Mary's mother, however, saw education as the Big Hope. She sent Mary to the Immaculate Conception Academy (ICA) in Greenhills, where wealthy Chinese families sent their daughters for elementary and high school education. It was a long way from Binondo. Mary managed the distance by hitching a ride with her rich classmates.

"I'd wake up very early and wait in the garage of my classmates. I was always scared I'd be left behind," she recalls. College at the University of Sto. Tomas was less arduous. It was also closer to home. Mary finished a degree in Economics and worked while taking up some units for her Masters in Business Administration (MBA). She found her first "employment" with the so-called Binondo Central Bank.

We found Mary one afternoon in her office on Benavides St. The interview was set on short notice. There were instructions to leave one's car and transfer to another vehicle. Her office had rusty expandable metal doors, with a cemented floor one foot below street level. This afternoon, Mary's office was secured by armed agents from the Intelligence Service of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (ISAFP).

Mary says a crime is committed in Chinatown almost every minute. The crimes range from ordinary "*kotong*" to large-scale drug trafficking, kidnapping for ransom, and economic sabotage perpetrated by organized crime. Undocumented Chinese brought in by human smugglers are favorite targets of extortion by policemen.

It would take a native to distinguish fact from façade. That dirty-tiled *panciteria* with tin plates and rotor-blades hanging from the ceiling may harbor an illicit dollar-exchange counter on the second floor. Or a gambling den. Or a shabu factory. Mary's office, for instance, was the "headquarters" for "ending," an illegal numbers game similar to *jueteng*. Mary was the bookkeeper, with the policemen as protectors. At its peak in 1999, ending raked in a daily average of P300,000; half of it went to Campos, according to Mary.

Binondo was her world until she moved to Hong Kong, which is the center of the dollar trade this side of Asia. When the Marcoses fled in 1986, the Binondo Central Bank, which was run by Marcos cronies, suffered a slump. Mary had married, had a baby and moved to Greenhills. She persisted in the shadows as a *viajera*. To justify her frequent travels, she opened a garment store in Virra Mall. She also ferried computer parts and leather goods. Her *viajera* days ended with her imprisonment in 1992. Hope came with Lacson in 1993. Then she met John Campos.

"Col. Campos was a trusted man of the Hong Kong police," Mary recalls. She was already known as Lily Cheung, a "drug dealer" who enjoyed immunity from arrest granted by a HK magistrate. She traveled to Macau, Shanghai and mainland China, establishing contacts with the Triad. She

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| AGE | P130.95<br>1 UNIT | | P260.95<br>2 UNITS | | P390.95<br>3 UNITS | | P520.95<br>4 UNITS | | P650.95<br>5 UNITS | | P780.95<br>6 UNITS | | P910.95<br>7 UNITS | | P1,040.95<br>8 UNITS | | P1,170.95<br>9 UNITS | | P1,300.95<br>10 UNITS | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT | LIFE | ACCIDENT |
| 50 | P51,120 | P102,240 | P102,240 | P204,480 | P153,360 | P306,720 | P204,480 | P408,960 | P255,600 | P511,200 | P306,720 | P613,440 | P357,840 | P715,680 | P408,960 | P817,920 | P460,080 | P920,160 | P511,200 | P1,022,400 |
| 51 | 48,520 | 97,040 | 97,040 | 194,080 | 145,560 | 291,120 | 194,080 | 388,160 | 242,600 | 485,200 | 291,120 | 582,240 | 339,640 | 679,280 | 388,160 | 776,320 | 436,680 | 873,360 | 485,200 | 970,400 |
| 52 | 45,920 | 91,840 | 91,840 | 183,680 | 137,760 | 275,520 | 183,680 | 367,360 | 229,600 | 459,200 | 275,520 | 551,040 | 321,440 | 642,880 | 367,360 | 734,720 | 413,280 | 826,560 | 459,200 | 918,400 |
| 53 | 43,320 | 86,640 | 86,640 | 173,280 | 129,960 | 259,920 | 173,280 | 346,560 | 216,600 | 433,200 | 259,920 | 519,840 | 303,240 | 606,480 | 346,560 | 693,120 | 389,880 | 779,760 | 433,200 | 866,400 |
| 54 | 41,000 | 82,000 | 82,000 | 164,000 | 123,000 | 246,000 | 164,000 | 328,000 | 205,000 | 410,000 | 246,000 | 492,000 | 287,000 | 574,000 | 328,000 | 656,000 | 369,000 | 738,000 | 410,000 | 820,000 |
| 55 | 38,680 | 77,360 | 77,360 | 154,720 | 116,040 | 232,080 | 154,720 | 309,440 | 193,400 | 386,800 | 232,080 | 464,160 | 270,760 | 541,520 | 309,440 | 618,880 | 348,120 | 696,240 | 386,800 | 773,600 |
| 56 | 36,620 | 73,240 | 73,240 | 146,480 | 109,860 | 219,720 | 146,480 | 292,960 | 183,100 | 366,200 | 219,720 | 439,440 | 256,340 | 512,680 | 292,960 | 585,920 | 329,580 | 659,160 | 366,200 | 732,400 |
| 57 | 34,560 | 69,120 | 69,120 | 138,240 | 103,680 | 207,360 | 138,240 | 276,480 | 172,800 | 345,600 | 207,360 | 414,720 | 241,920 | 483,840 | 276,480 | 552,960 | 311,040 | 622,080 | 345,600 | 691,200 |
| 58 | 32,500 | 65,000 | 65,000 | 130,000 | 97,500 | 195,000 | 130,000 | 260,000 | 162,500 | 325,000 | 195,000 | 390,000 | 227,500 | 455,000 | 260,000 | 520,000 | 292,500 | 585,000 | 325,000 | 650,000 |
| 59 | 30,700 | 61,400 | 61,400 | 122,800 | 92,100 | 184,200 | 122,800 | 245,600 | 153,500 | 307,000 | 184,200 | 368,400 | 214,900 | 429,800 | 245,600 | 491,200 | 276,300 | 552,600 | 307,000 | 614,000 |
| 60 | 28,900 | 57,800 | 57,800 | 115,600 | 86,700 | 173,400 | 115,600 | 231,200 | 144,500 | 289,000 | 173,400 | 346,800 | 202,300 | 404,600 | 231,200 | 462,400 | 260,100 | 520,200 | 289,000 | 578,000 |
| 61 | 27,300 | 54,600 | 54,600 | 109,200 | 81,900 | 163,800 | 109,200 | 218,400 | 136,500 | 273,000 | 163,800 | 327,600 | 191,100 | 382,200 | 218,400 | 436,800 | 245,700 | 491,400 | 273,000 | 546,000 |
| 62 | 25,700 | 51,400 | 51,400 | 102,800 | 77,100 | 154,200 | 102,800 | 205,600 | 128,500 | 257,000 | 154,200 | 308,400 | 179,900 | 359,800 | 205,600 | 411,200 | 231,300 | 462,600 | 257,000 | 514,000 |
| 63 | 24,100 | 48,200 | 48,200 | 96,400 | 72,300 | 144,600 | 96,400 | 192,800 | 120,500 | 241,000 | 144,600 | 289,200 | 168,700 | 337,400 | 192,800 | 385,600 | 216,900 | 433,800 | 241,000 | 482,000 |
| 64 | 22,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 | 90,800 | 68,100 | 136,200 | 90,800 | 181,600 | 113,500 | 227,000 | 136,200 | 272,400 | 158,900 | 317,800 | 181,600 | 363,200 | 204,300 | 408,600 | 227,000 | 454,000 |
| 65 | 21,300 | 42,600 | 42,600 | 85,200 | 63,900 | 127,800 | 85,200 | 170,400 | 106,500 | 213,000 | 127,800 | 255,600 | 149,100 | 298,200 | 170,400 | 340,800 | 191,700 | 383,400 | 213,000 | 426,000 |
| 66 | 20,060 | 40,120 | 40,120 | 80,240 | 60,180 | 120,360 | 80,240 | 160,480 | 100,300 | 200,600 | 120,360 | 240,720 | 140,420 | 280,840 | 160,480 | 320,960 | 180,540 | 361,080 | 200,600 | 401,200 |
| 67 | 18,810 | 37,620 | 37,620 | 75,240 | 56,430 | 112,860 | 75,240 | 150,480 | 94,050 | 188,100 | 112,860 | 225,720 | 131,670 | 263,340 | 150,480 | 300,960 | 169,290 | 338,580 | 188,100 | 376,200 |
| 68 | 17,560 | 35,120 | 35,120 | 70,240 | 52,680 | 105,360 | 70,240 | 140,480 | 87,800 | 175,600 | 105,360 | 210,720 | 122,920 | 245,840 | 140,480 | 280,960 | 158,040 | 316,080 | 175,600 | 351,200 |
| 69 | 16,310 | 32,620 | 32,620 | 65,240 | 48,930 | 97,860 | 65,240 | 130,480 | 81,550 | 163,100 | 97,860 | 195,720 | 114,170 | 228,340 | 130,480 | 260,960 | 146,790 | 293,580 | 163,100 | 326,200 |
| 70 | 15,060 | 30,120 | 30,120 | 60,240 | 45,180 | 90,360 | 60,240 | 120,480 | 75,300 | 150,600 | 90,360 | 180,720 | 105,420 | 210,840 | 120,480 | 240,960 | 135,540 | 271,080 | 150,600 | 301,200 |
| 71 | 13,860 | 27,720 | 27,720 | 55,440 | 41,580 | 83,160 | 55,440 | 110,880 | 69,300 | 138,600 | 83,160 | 166,320 | 97,020 | 194,040 | 110,880 | 221,760 | 124,740 | 249,480 | 138,600 | 277,200 |
| 72 | 12,730 | 25,460 | 25,460 | 50,920 | 38,190 | 76,380 | 50,920 | 101,840 | 63,650 | 127,300 | 76,380 | 152,760 | 89,110 | 178,220 | 101,840 | 203,680 | 114,570 | 229,140 | 127,300 | 254,600 |
| 73 | 11,600 | 23,200 | 23,200 | 46,400 | 34,800 | 69,600 | 46,400 | 92,800 | 58,000 | 116,000 | 69,600 | 139,200 | 81,200 | 162,400 | 92,800 | 185,600 | 104,400 | 208,800 | 116,000 | 232,000 |
| 74 | 10,600 | 21,200 | 21,200 | 42,400 | 31,800 | 63,600 | 42,400 | 84,800 | 53,000 | 106,000 | 63,600 | 127,200 | 74,200 | 148,400 | 84,800 | 169,600 | 95,400 | 190,800 | 106,000 | 212,000 |
| 75 | 9,600 | 19,200 | 19,200 | 38,400 | 28,800 | 57,600 | 38,400 | 76,800 | 48,000 | 96,000 | 57,600 | 115,200 | 67,200 | 134,400 | 76,800 | 153,600 | 86,400 | 172,800 | 96,000 | 192,000 |

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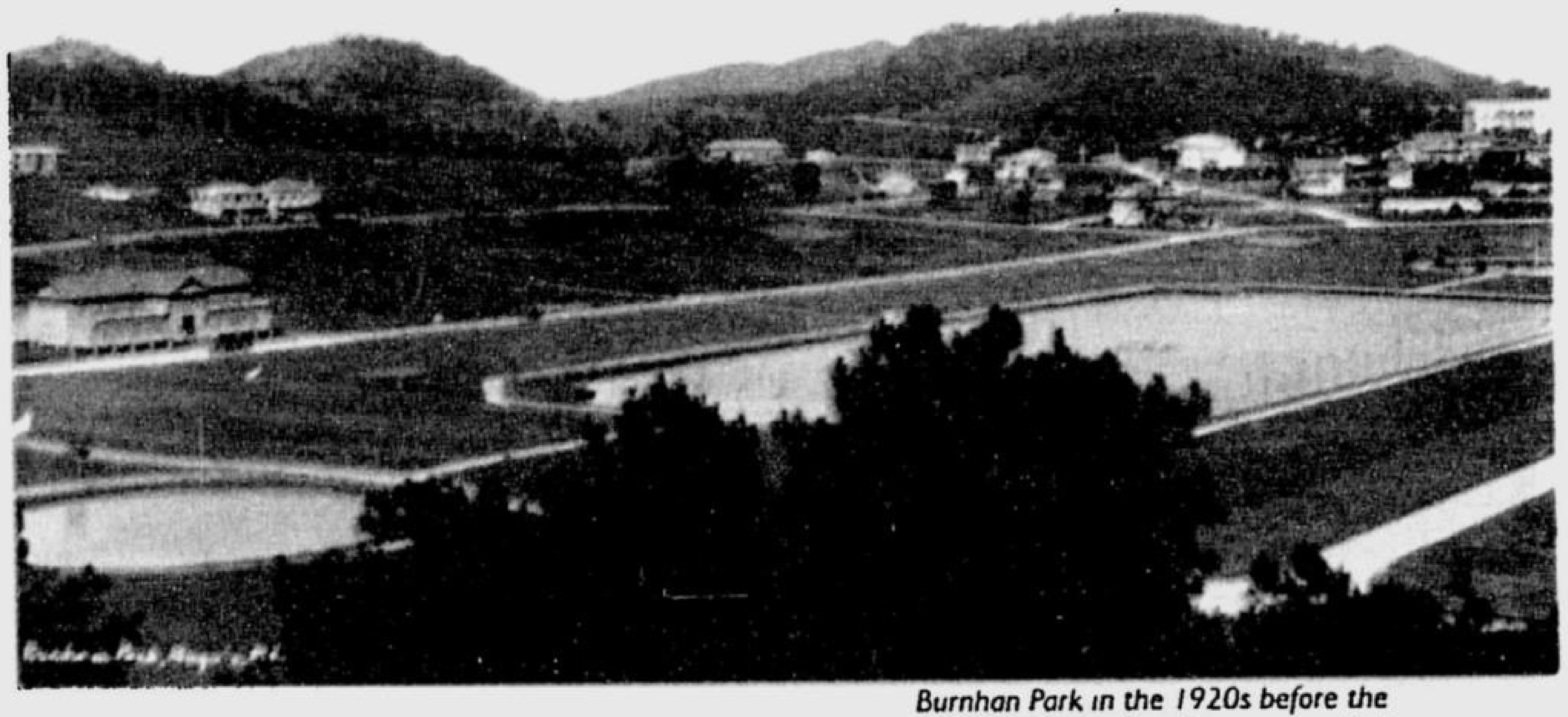
*by Jonathan Best*

# Baguio's Burnham Park: Then and Now

*Today, Burnham Park is facing severe challenges from commercial developers, ill-conceived municipal projects and poor maintenance*

When American architect Daniel Burnham first drew up his city plan for Baguio in 1904, he saved the very best piece of real estate for a public park. His thinking reflected the progressive social values of the time. Government was expected to serve the people and provide for their health and recreation. A large public park with open fields and an artificial lake was considered a necessity for a modern urban environment. Even for a small city such as Baguio, which was only expected to grow to around 25,000 people, a park was considered of prime importance.

Burnham Park was planned as a "green park" in contrast to an amusement park or a formal garden. Amusement parks are designed to be exciting, noisy and commercial while formal gardens are decorative showcases for plants. Green parks are designed to provide peace and quiet, open space, fresh air and a direct link to unspoiled nature. In larger parks in Asia and the West, tame deer, flocks of swans, ducks and songbirds are propagated and allowed to roam free. City dwellers are encouraged to use these parks for walks, bird watching, picnics and amateur sports. Buildings, roadways and other artificial man-made structures are deliberately kept to a minimum so as not to conflict with the natural environment of a green park.



*Burnhan Park in the 1920s before the trees and gardens were added*

Burnham Park is laid out at the center of Baguio's hilly terrain on the city's largest expanse of valuable level ground. It contains all the amenities of a traditional green park, mature trees, flower beds, a small lake, walking paths, open fields and facilities for bike riding and paddle boats. Originally, there were two circular pools at either end of the lagoon, which once boasted a "magic" fountain that was illuminated at night. The open parkland once stretched from the grounds of the famous Pines Hotel, formerly on the hill at the northeast end of the park, all the way to the grounds of the present City Hall. Buildings and parking lots have encroached at both ends over the years.

Despite being in the tropics, the park's high elevation, over 5,000 feet, creates an ideal climate for flowers from the temperate zones. Roses, hollyhocks, daisies and marigolds flourish in Burnham Park. Trees of weeping bottlebrush and Baguio's beautiful pink and white "angels trumpets" line the present day lagoon. The scent of pine trees is almost always in the air. On rainy afternoons, from June to October, it is not unusual for a romantic fog to swirl in from the surrounding hills as it often does in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park.

Back in the 1970s, on my very first trip to the Philippines from frigid New York City, I had expected to find a quiet island nation, something like Japan but situated in the tropical South Seas. Jet lagging from the 17-hour flight and dazed by culture shock, I was not prepared for Manila's battalions of jeepneys with their blaring disco music, the chaotic traffic and terrific heat. My gracious hostess thoughtfully took me up to Baguio on the second or third day after I arrived and I felt I had discovered the most perfect spot in the world. Burnham Park seemed like heaven. It had the climate of California, flowers from around the world and friendly relaxed inhabitants. I remember spending long afternoons walking in the park, lying on the grass, sketching and watching people.

Today, Burnham Park is facing severe challenges from commercial developers, ill-conceived municipal projects and poor maintenance. Baguio has grown to over 300,000 people, which puts an almost unbearable burden on all open spaces and public lands. Squatters have surrounded much of the city and traffic and pollution have increased geometrically along with the population. The sheer number of people walking, riding bikes and using the lagoon threaten to permanently change the character of Burnham Park. The grass is wearing thin, the walls of the lagoon are eroding and the air is filled with noise and pollution from the surrounding city. The growing ranks of tourists coming to Baguio for holidays add to the problem.

Without a doubt the greatest threat to the park is from the ever-increasing number of cars, buses and jeepneys which are allowed to park on the perimeters and directly inside the park. Motor vehicles do not belong in a park. Given Baguio's lack of space, one solution might be to build a money-making underground parking facility deep beneath the playing fields along Harrison Road. The dozens of jeepneys, which now stand by at the City Hall's end of the park, are creating a squalid mess. Drivers, touts and assorted vendors hang out on the grass and under the trees, spitting, urinating and throwing their refuse on the ground. Large buses manage to find places to park or stay with their motors idling for hours at various spots inside the park where they don't belong. Vendors selling all kinds of junky souvenirs and snacks should also be limited to one area and supervised.

Burnham Park is one of Baguio's most valuable assets and truly a Philippine national landmark. Generations of young and old alike have walked in the park and relaxed in its tranquil environment. It has been the favorite promenade for honeymooners, a playground for countless children and a space for nostalgia and quiet reflection for generations of old folks. The good citizens of Baguio and the city's many visitors around the Philippines and overseas should be uncompromising in their defense of Burnham Park. Not one square inch should be handed over for above ground parking, food concessions, vendors, cheap rides and noisy amusements. A green park is for peace and quiet and the enjoyment of nature. Without Burnham Park, Baguio would hardly be Baguio any more.

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No disguise: With John Campos in Hong Kong circa 1996

had posed as a businesswoman from Manila with address in tony Greenhills, which was partly untrue. Actually, she had sold the Greenhills manse and was living in Parañaque.

She tried drugs only once. "I almost collapsed, so I knew it was not for me," she says. Among the Triad, the use of drugs was taboo. "You know their motto? Don't get high with your own supply," Mary intones. "The rule among the Big Bosses, those on Level One, is clear: getting high and getting hooked was for the people who worked in the Triad, so they'd stay with the group."

Personalities in the drug world also don't carry guns. "It makes sense, you know. If you are carrying goods worth P20 million, why risk being arrested for illegal possession of firearms?" she explains.

Like the movies, the Triad is well organized, highly secretive and very deceptive. "The big financiers look like business executives in suits and Rolls Royces," she says. "They also have a very strong sense of loyalty. You have to get their trust before you can come in."

At the start, Mary says, she confined her involvement in the Triad to the "shipment" phase, which exposed her to the couriers and traffickers. She'd tip off the authorities about planned or actual shipments, and got 10 percent commission of the value of the contraband apprehended.

"I didn't want to sell drugs. But later on, they wanted me to sell, and they wanted it wholesale, as in 200 kilos per shipment," she says. John allegedly posed as the "buyer." The duo traveled to Macau where Mary introduced John to her contacts in the Triad. "They (the syndicate) never doubted me because we bought the goods and paid on the spot. It was a clean deal," she says. Each deal was worth millions. But the purpose was to penetrate the Triad, find their warehouses, identify the suppliers, dealers, couriers and, of course, the drug lords.

Back at the PNP, Mary reports, John's mission was detailed in a case plan as a "buy-bust." But since it was an actual buy, the PNP was now left with, say, 200 kilos of shabu in their hands. What to do with the contraband? Mary says the PNP went into the reverse of buy-bust, which is sell-bust. Thus came yet another opportunity for everyone to make money, including – or most especially – the cops.

"The police sold the drugs in Manila, but there were no immediate busts. Not yet. They wanted to see who we dealt with. Then another team would come in for the bust. The drugs are confiscated, and sold again until it becomes a cycle. Many people cannot understand it but the police, they understand. We have to sell because we have to remit to the generals who provide the capital."

Mary identifies the police general who provided the initial capital of P2M. She also enumerates the officers who helped sell shabu in Manila, from colonels down to the police officers. According to Mary, one officer made a record of 109 sell-busts in three weeks in 1998. The selling spree left five persons dead, and more than 100 charged for possession of shabu.

Still, the money kept rolling. The group became creative, and began devising variations on their modus. The usual script was to engage the drug trafficker in a shoot-out, and confiscate the drugs. Later on, some alleged traffickers were held and killed upon payment of ransom.

Some adjustments had to be made in Mary's role in the gang of law enforcers turned felons. Since she spoke Fookien and Mandarin, Mary was recast as "interpreter." Thus, she got to know first-hand the background of the victims, the names of their wives and children, the nature of their businesses, the names of the friends and kin who raised the ransom, even the victims' deepest secrets.

Drugs, money and perhaps the violence of it all also took a toll on Mary and John's relationship. "Actually he had been beating me, but since I loved him, I thought it would just go away," Mary says. But the beating got worse. In one of her lowest moments, Mary told another officer about John's problem with drugs. The officer warned John about Mary's complaint. In turn, she says, John beat her anew.

"He started compartmentalizing me," Mary complains. "It was breaking my heart." He was making himself scarce, too. But their nefarious activities kept them together. In early 1999, the group abducted four Chinese and kept them in Mary's house in Parañaque. When John beat her up in front of the cops and the kidnap victims in her own house, Mary screamed: "You're all criminals!"

In May 1999, Mary told then PNP Director General Roberto Lastimoso about "a safehouse of abducted Chinese, but he didn't believe me." Days later, two of the victims were executed. Mary went back to Lastimoso in August to tell him of an impending execution of another Chinese. Lastimoso, she says, was not convinced.

In October, she leaked details about the kidnappings of Chinese nationals by the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Task Force (PAOCTF). "I was already trying to make my way out," she continues. She was also nursing pent-up anger for John. But there was a hitch. After five years of living in Mary's house, John had become a father figure to Mary's two sons. "They liked *Tito* John, and John loved my children. I prayed to the Lord to please make it easy on me," she says.

The break-up was far from easy. It's been bloody and violent, and painfully protracted. Mary is one hell of a woman. And she's been scorned.

Ever since her first press conference in November, Mary has been known to trigger an outbreak of hypertension, allergies and diarrhea among officers of the defunct PAOCTF. She's been dubbed, too, as the thorn on Lacson's side, the sword of Damocles over his head. Her allegations about criminal activities of the PAOCTF are just too detailed to be dismissed as fantasies. Already, she has filed, or rather helped file, assorted criminal cases against PAOCTF officers, including her former lover and accomplice John Campos.

"They say I am just a spurned lover, that what we have here is an *away-mag-asawa* (domestic squabble)," she says, pausing for a puff of Marlboro. "I am doing this for principle."

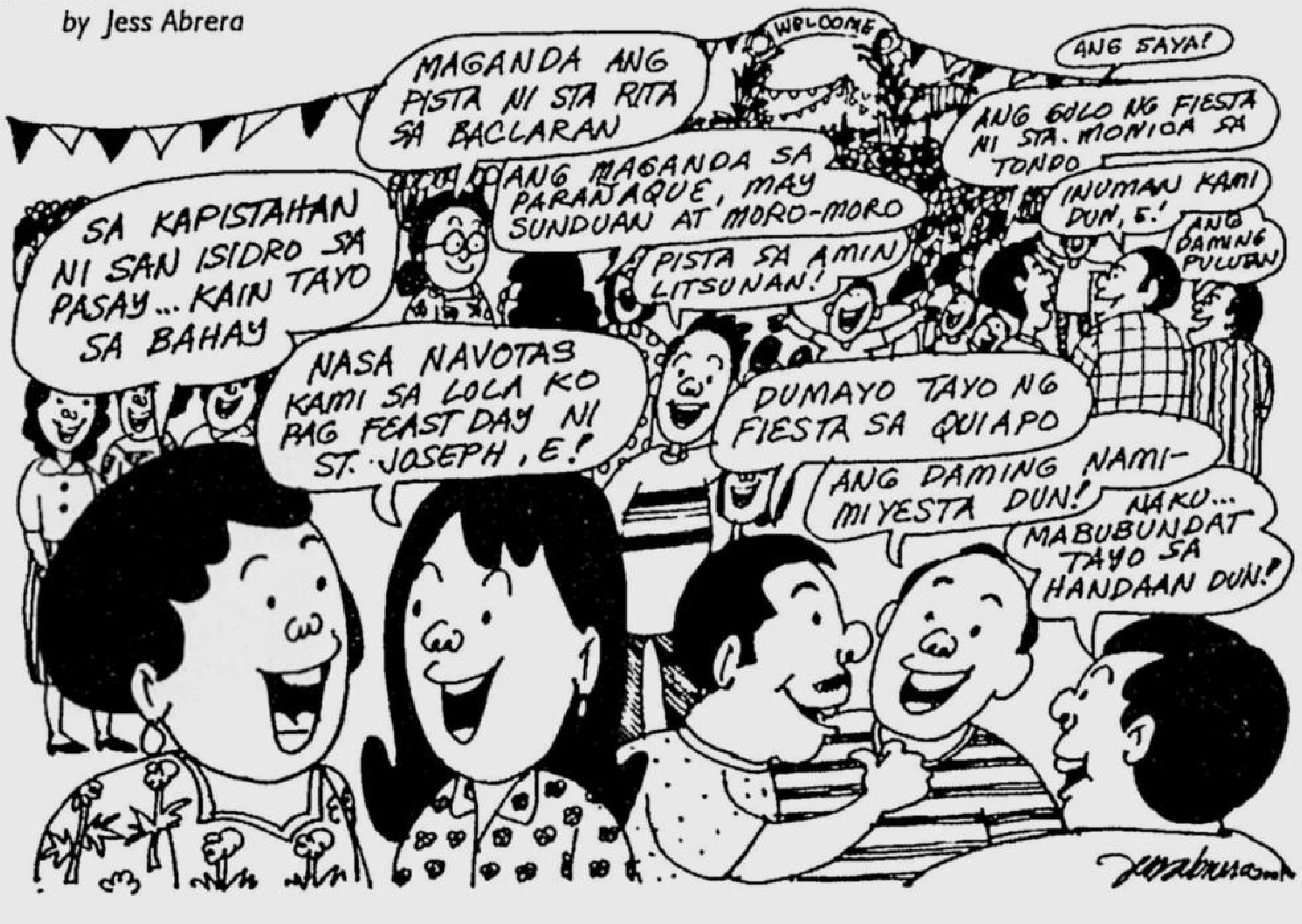
Today, Mary lives in a "safe house" inside Camp Aguinaldo with her two sons, who adore her. Her sanctuary is a one-room affair with a bullet proof front door, a *faux* brass bed and a private toilet and bath. She moves around with a driver and at least two security men. Her sons go out with armed escorts from the ISAFP.

What's in the future for her? Who knows? She is now in the custody of the ISAFP. Like the PACC and the PAOCTF, the ISAFP places more value on information than on breathing organisms. Mary's cache of information, indeed, makes her genuinely valuable to the unit. For now, at least.

## Pinoy NGA!

## Maytime Fiesta

*by Jess Abrera*



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ANG SAYA!
MAGANDA ANG PISTA NI STA RITA SA BACLARAN
ANG GULO NG FIESTA NI STA. MONICA SA TONDO
SA KAPISTAHAN NI SAN ISIDRO SA PASAY... KAIN TAYO SA BAHAY
ANG MAGANDA SA PARANAQUE, MAY SUNDUAN AT MORO-MORO
INUMAN KAMI DUN, E!
ANG DAMING PULUTAN
PISTA SA AMIN LITSUNAN!
NASA NAVOTAS KAMI SA LOLA KO PAG FEAST DAY NI ST. JOSEPH, E!
DUMAYO TAYO NG FIESTA SA QUIAPO
ANG DAMING NAMIMIYESTA DUN!
NAKU... MABUBUNDAT TAYO SA HANDAAN DUN!
JESS ABRERA

# This Week

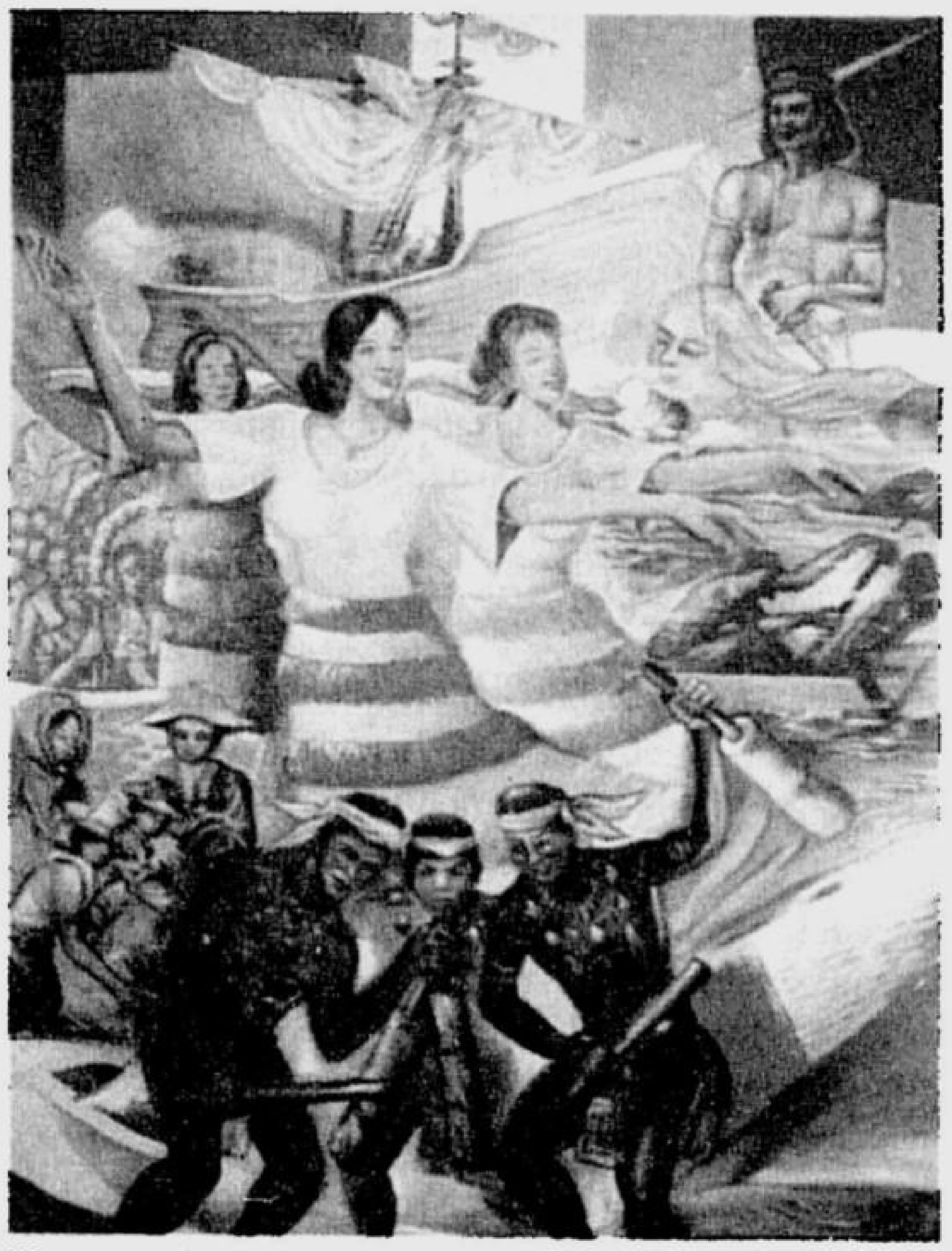
## Art

The celebrated **Fertility Statues from Africa** will be visiting Manila for the last time until the third week of June. On display at the Ripley's Believe It or Not! Museum at the 5th level of the Shangri-La Plaza Mall. For details, call 636-1225/28.

**Summer Portraits,** a solo exhibit by Ernie C. Sta. Ana at Gallery 139, Glorietta 4 until May 31.

**Catharsis,** an exhibit of underwater themes by Katrina Miranda until May 27 at Finale Art Gallery, SM Megamall A.

**Alfredo Juan Aquilizan** presents his latest charcoal drawings on paper at the Starbucks 6750 Ayala Mezzanine, until May 21.



*"Kaogmahan" by Pancho Piano, ongoing at the Ayala Museum*

**Fiestas and Legends,** an exhibit of historical, religious and cultural events of Bicol by Pancho Piano at the Ayala Museum until June 4.

**Geo/Centre/E/I/City—The Earth as Center,** an online exhibit by digital artists through www.fineartforum.org/Gallery/2001/geocentricity focusing on earth phenomena.

**Horizon,** an exhibit of jeweler Hans Brumann's latest artistic creations at the Lopez Museum, Power Plant Mall, Rockwell Center until May 29.

**Gerardo Ingco** mounts his recent works on paper at The Drawing Room, 1007 Metropolitan Ave., Metrostar Bldg., Makati City until May 23.

**Homesick Gypsies,** an exhibit of mixed media drawings/paintings by Alvin Gregorio until May 23 at The Drawing Room, Metropolitan Avenue, Makati City.

## Music

**sessiOnroad May schedule:** Brent School, Baguio (May 24), Freedom Bar, Anonas Complex (May 31).

**Fusion Nights @ Ciao,** a nightly entertainment featuring Manila's top female torch singers and popular fusion jazz artists for a minimum consumable charge of P350 per person at the Ciao Bar-Ristorante, Dusit Hotel Nikko.

**The Stella Thing Series,** a concert series featuring Stella Ruiz at Hard Rock Café (May 22), Sounds Stage (May 23), Grilla in Libis (May 29) and at Ratsky's (May 31). For inquiries, call 890-3245.

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**For this week's bands and schedules call:**

- Hard Rock Café (893-4662-65)
- Virgin Café : Makati ( 893-1844) QC (926-7982)
- '70s Bistro: 46 Anonas St., QC (922-0492)
- Hobbit House: 1801 Mabini St., Malate, Manila (521-7604)
- Strumm's: El Pueblo, Ortigas (637-3009)
- Mayrics (412-9430)

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## Onstage

**Dreamweaver,** a play by Rodolfo C. Vera about three friends and their daughters and their shared simple dreams. The play will run May 20, 25, 26 and 27, 8 p.m. at the Carlos P. Romulo Auditorium, RCBC Plaza, Ayala Avenue. Entrance is free to all Bankard cardholders, teachers and students upon presentation of valid IDs. Tickets are priced at P300 for non-Bankard cardholders.

**Dulaang Talyer** presents "Mga Kuwento ni Gabriel Garcia Marquez" on May 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Rajah Sulayman Theater, Fort Santiago. The following week, the comedy "Can't Pay! Won't Pay (Walang Pambayad? Ayaw Magbayad!)" goes onstage May 25, 26 and 27. On May 23, 24, 30 and 31, Dulaang Talyer and the Australian Embassy Manila present "Speaking in Tongues" at Chamber 9, Puerta Isabel II, Muralla St., Intramuros. For details, call 925-1933.

## Food

C2 Restaurant and Bar offers **breakfast buffet** of hot dishes, pancakes, omelet, breads, cereals, yogurt, an assortment of cheese and beverages. Available from 7 to 10:30 a.m., Mondays to Saturdays at the 5th floor, AIM Conference Center, Legaspi Village, Makati. For inquiries, call 752-4022.

Benkay Japanese Restaurant at Dusit Hotel Nikko offers **Swordfish Kaiseki,** a set menu of delicate swordfish dishes for lunch or dinner until May 31. For reservations, call 867-3333 ext. 3343.

Tanglaw Coffee Shop of the Legend Hotel celebrates the month of fiesta with a **Regional Buffet**. Succulent seafood and other authentic delicacies of Palawan will be featured from May 21-25 while the exotic dishes of Davao will be featured from May 28-31 For inquiries, call 633-1501 loc. 8041

## Cinema

The Royal Netherlands Embassy, Animagination and the Shangri-La Plaza Mall will showcase 11 of the best of **Dutch animated short films** from May 25-27 at Cinema 2 of Shangri-La Plaza Mall. Noted Dutch producer, director and film programmer, Nico Crama, will visit the Philippines to present a collection of animated short films by award-winning Dutch animators. For inquiries, call 633-7851 local 109.

## Atbp

Nona Garcia will conduct a **workshop on drawing** on May 26 open to kids 7 to 15 at Lopez Memorial Museum. For details, call 631-2417.

***Santa Cruz de Mayo sa Nayon,*** pays tribute to outstanding educators, lawyers, government employees, laborers and students with movie stars and fashion models as procession entourage, May 20, 4 p.m. at Nayong Pilipino, MIA Road, Pasay City.

**Digital Sunsets,** a digital film, music and poetry event at the Manila Film Center on May 20, 27 and June 3, 5 p.m. For details, call 928-8323 and 921-8434.

**Summer Art Workshop** for kids and adults offers basic and advance courses in drawing and painting from May 20-June 24 at Trionfi Café Arte, Herald Suites, 2168 Pasong Tamo, Makati. For details, call 759-2058.

National Book Store helps ease those shopping blues with its **Back-to-School, Back to National Book Store Catalogue** featuring a wide range of products from classic to reference books, textbooks and reprints to reviewers and flashcards, and extensive selection of school supplies. Customers can get a free catalogue from the nearest National Book Store branch, select the items they want to purchase and call 533-8808 to place their orders until June 30. In selected areas, purchases P500 and above are delivered free of charge.

Polymer Products Inc. will hold a **Hands-on Introductory Course on Polyester Resin** (figurine making, fiberglass, stained glass, lamination, encapsulation, etc.) on May 23-26. For details, call 671-9837.

**Garden Summerfest 2001,** an exhibit and garden sale of ornamentals, dish gardens, cacti, orchids, bonsai and bromeliads until June 9 at Farmers Plaza, Araneta Center, QC. Also, there will be a seminar/workshop on Corsage Making (May 26) and Composting and Basic Landscaping (June 9) at the Farmers Garden. For details, call 911-3101 loc. 8308.

Filipinas Heritage Library invites kids 3-10 years old to a **storytelling session** on May 26. Art and craft-making activities also await participants. For details, call 892-1801.

Down With Grundy Publisher announces the release of Filipino indie poet Vicente Soria de Veyra's fifth **poetry e-book** "In The Level of Gods." The e-books are available for free download at http://www.geocities.com/warphoto/freebooks.html.

Adarna House, the country's pioneer children's book publishing firm, is open to **submissions of children's stories** for its July 2002 batch of storybooks. Submit typewritten manuscripts to 73-A Scout Limbaga St., QC. For details, call 372-3548/49.

The UP Film Center offers a **digital editing workshop** on May 28-June 8 focusing on non-linear editing using Adobe Premiere 5 1 software Second session is on June 11-22. For details, call 926-2722 and 926-3640.

The Saturday Group, headed by renowned painter Mauro Malang, will now have its **painting session** every Saturday at the Shangri-La Plaza Mall 3rd level (near Figaro) from 2 to 5 p.m.

Robinsons Department Store is holding an **online summer fun quiz.** Log on to www.rds.com.ph and answer seven simple questions on summer essentials, clothing preferences, cool vacation destinations and fave pastimes. Fill up the web form for a chance to join the raffle and win P2,000 worth of prizes. Contest runs until May 31.

Ayala Museum is offering a **Beginners Pastel workshop** on May 23 and will be held every Wednesday until July 13. Saturday sessions begin on May 26. For details, call 812-1191 to 97 loc. 130.

Filstar Distributors Corp. invites balloon enthusiasts to a series of **balloon seminars:** May 25 (Certified Balloon Artist review); June 8 (Intermediate Balloon Bouquet); June 22 (Advanced Classic Balloon Décor 1); June 29 (CBA review); July 27 (Basic & Intermediate Classic Balloon Décor); Aug. 10 (Advanced Balloon Bouquet); Aug 24 (CBA review); Oct. 18, 19, 20 (Advanced Classic Balloon/Sculptures/Balloon Drops and CBA Test); July 5 and Sept. 14 (Creative Gift Wrapping seminar). For details, call 671-0555 or 671-3171.

## X-manila

A **seminar-workshop on the Trends and Standards on Cataloging** and classification of books, and Non-Print Materials (Electronic Media/Audio-Visual Materials) will be held on May 22-26 at Venus Park View Hotel, Baguio City. Also, a seminar-workshop on Updates and Standards on Indexing of Books, Periodicals, Newspapers and Filipiniana Materials will be offered on May 28-31. For details, call (044) 791-5205 and 524-0901.

The Bohol Heritage Development Foundation Inc. and the Society of Ecclesiastical Archivists of the Philippine Luzon Chapter are holding a seminar-workshop on **"Training on Diocesan and Religious Archives Practices"** on May 21-24 at the Punta Villa Resort, Arevalo, Iloilo. For details, call 522-8132 and 712-6275.

**Antenor R. Samoy** is holding a solo exhibit until June 20 at the Samoy Arts Museum, 151 E. Gomez St., Bacoor, Cavite.

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